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ARPEGGIO OF BLUE STEEL

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402がサルベージした
タカオの品大公開！！

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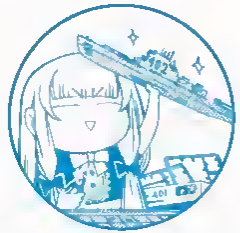

［艦艇評定報告　No.0017］

発　第一潜水艦隊巡航潜水艦
　　イ４００及イ４０２
宛　独旗艦超戦艦ヤマト

対象　元第一巡航艦隊哨戒艦重巡洋艦タカオ

当該艦艇に対する中間報告を致します。当該艦は当初、大戦艦ヒュウガ麾下の第二巡航艦隊所属の哨戒艦として配備、活動しておりました。しかし第二巡航艦隊は旗艦ヒュウガがイ４０１により撃沈され、活動停止。再編成を余儀なくされました。この際　三艦隊在った日本封鎖艦隊を二艦隊に編成。タカオは第一巡航艦隊所属となりました。再編成後は索敵範囲を増強するためにロ５０１型潜水艦と連携し、四国沖などの広範囲を担当。その後、第三潜水艦隊を撃破したイ４０２が北九州方面へ逃走　行方不明となったために同艦の母港と思われる硫黄島と北九州との間の航路を索敵担当エリアとし、４０１探知のためのピケット艦として運用されておりました。その後、４０１を探知し　攻撃行動に移行するも撃退され、４０１との戦闘データを戦術ネットワークへアップロード後　艦隊を離脱。出来致しました。艦隊出来以後の詳細な足取りは不明ですが、北海道函館においてメンタルモデルを使用、人間として活動していた形跡があり、また我々も同地での接触に成功しております。現在、重巡タカオは人類に対しての興味と、兵器としての能力向上を目的に活動していると観られ　自らを撃退したイ４０１とそのクルーに接触。行動を共にしていると思われます。イ４０１と同様、同型艦単艦での捕捉撃沈は困難が予測され、今度の行動に関しては厳重な観察が必要と認められます。

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陸軍によるダミー４０１の横須賀への回航作戦は、群像の思惑通りに進行。
そのサポートのため横須賀に向かっていたタカオとリー2501が急襲！　激しい戦闘が始まる。
想像を超えた硬いの行方は!?
華麗開の連続の第７巻!!

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GUNZOU CHIMAYA / IGNA
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［イ401戦いの航跡07］

【Depth 037】
陸軍の401回航作戦中に、
タカオがついにU2501との戦闘に突入。

【Depth 038】
タカオと2501の戦闘中に、401が白鯨と合流。

【Depth 039】
タカオに最大の危機！　勝機は――。

【Depth 040】
タカオ対2501に決着
時を同じくして、新しき〈蒼き力〉が発動する。

【Depth 041】
2501戦闘海域を離脱。
陸軍の401回航作戦は――。

【Depth 042】
群像とヒュウガ作戦会議。タカオの状況は――?

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YOUNG KING COMICS
YKC"ARPEGGIO OF BLUE STEEL"
Ark Performance Presents!!
The torpedo is launc
It is terrible destruct
Take care not to hit
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ARPEGGIO's Story Guide

STORY

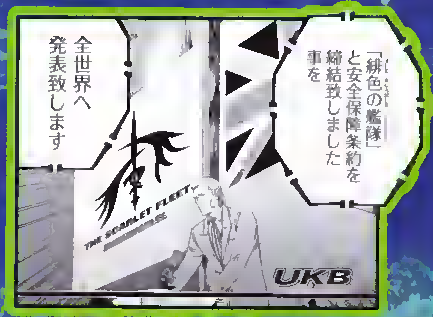
ついに陸軍が群像たちの潜む硫黄島を襲撃！401のクルーたちは次々に殺害されていく。ただ一人、静が陸軍の特殊部隊を相手に孤軍奮闘するが、401は制圧されてしまう。しかし、殺害されたかと思われたクルーたちと陸軍が拿捕した401は、タカオが作り上げたダミーだった。

一方、ヨーロッパでは、イギリスが緊急の記者会見を発表。群像の父、千早翔像の主導により、イギリスと霧の「緋色の艦隊」との間に、安全保障条約が締結されることとなった。

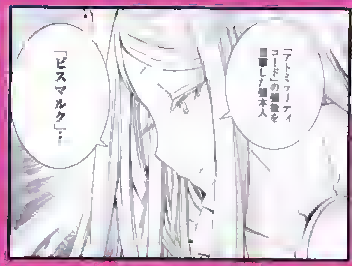
◀群像や杏平たちに魔の手が迫る！　情け容赦ない銃弾により、次々にクルーたちが倒されていく。

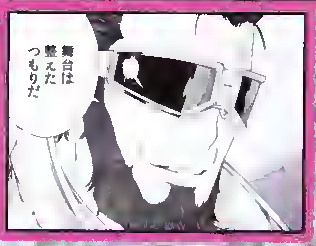
▲父親ゆずりの操艦さで、艦隊を翻弄する静。しかし、抵抗もむなしく、最後には降参させられてしまう。

◀▲群像たちや401は、タカオの作り上げたタミーだった。軍艦を救いているスキに、群像たちは白鯨とともにアメリカ合衆国を目指す。

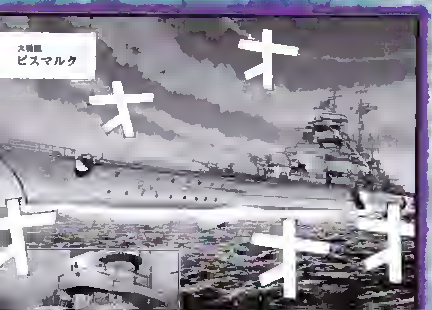


▲一連、全世界に向けて、イギリスが記者会見を発表。その内容は、霧の「緋色の艦隊」と安全保障条約を締結するという、驚くべきものだった。





▲ついに、群像の父、千早翔像が動く。翔像を乗うムサンとともに、アドミラリティコードの探索に乗り出す。



◀翔像の意志に、第二次世界大戦時、ヨーロッパ最強の戦艦ビスマルクも呼応する。

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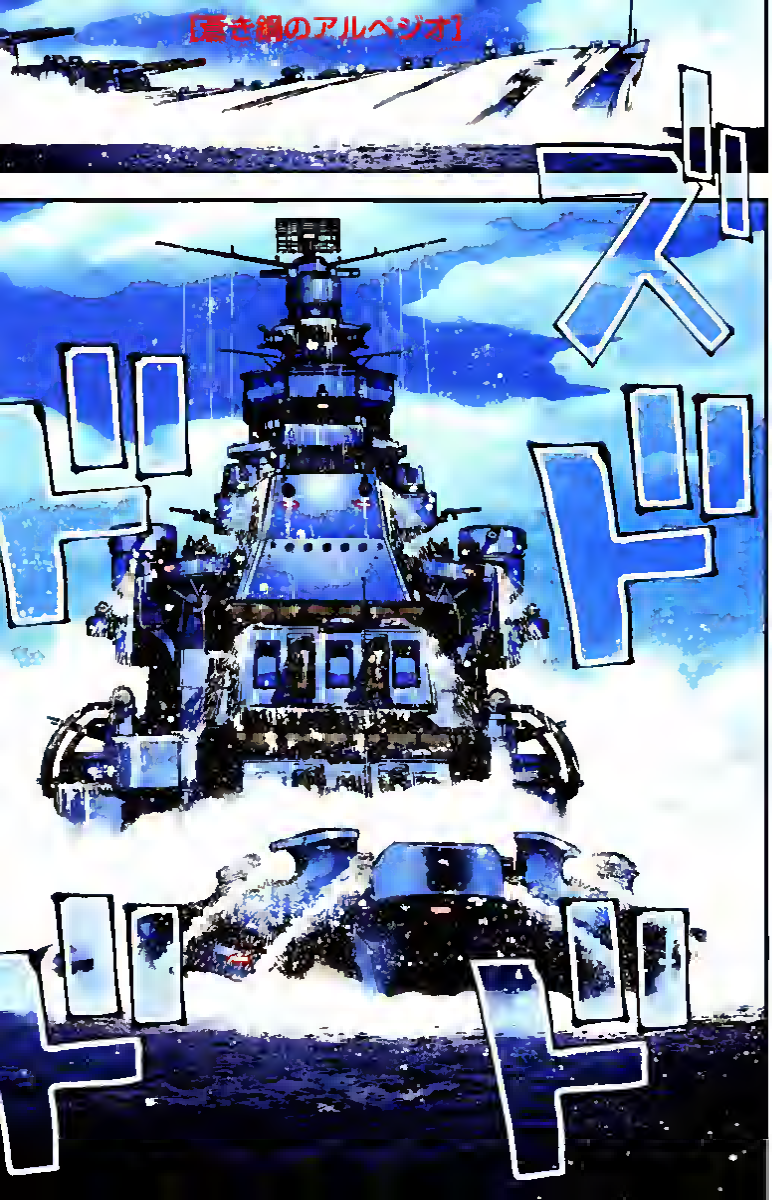
YOUNG KING COMICS

YKC"ARPEGGIO OF BLUE STEEL" Ark Performance Presents!!
The torpedo is launched by the submarine.
It is terrible destructive power. Take care not to hit.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FOG-HEAVY CRUISER
TAKAO
タカオVS.U-2501
Takao vs. U-2501
その時は刻一刻と迫り来る!!
The battle is imminent!!
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アークパフォーマンス
PRESENTS
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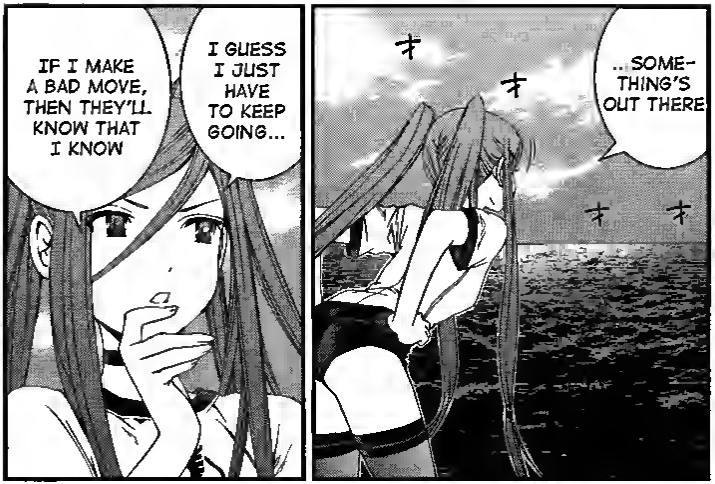
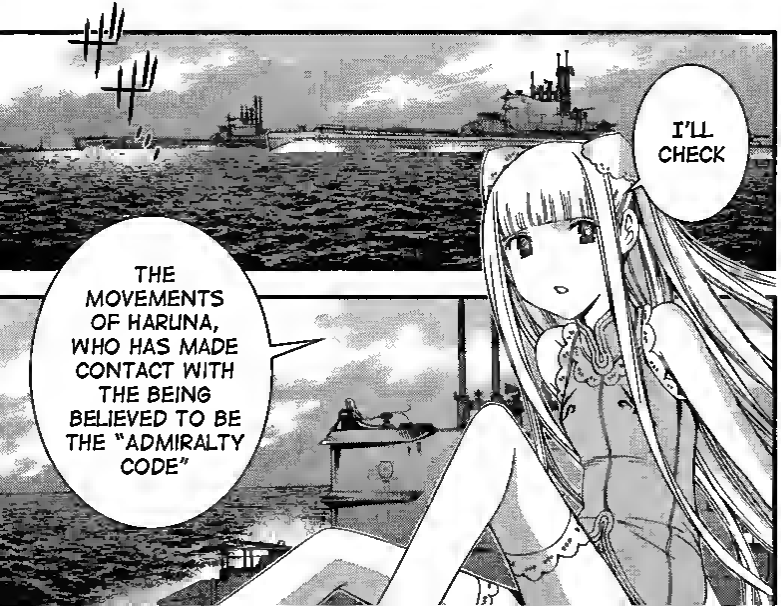
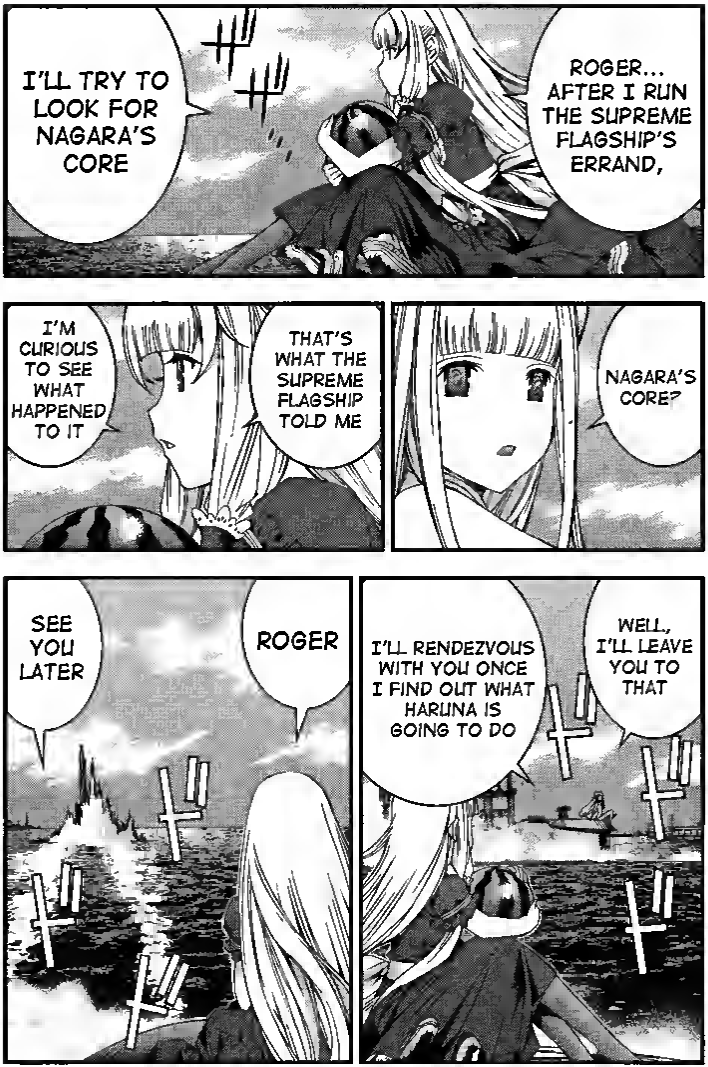
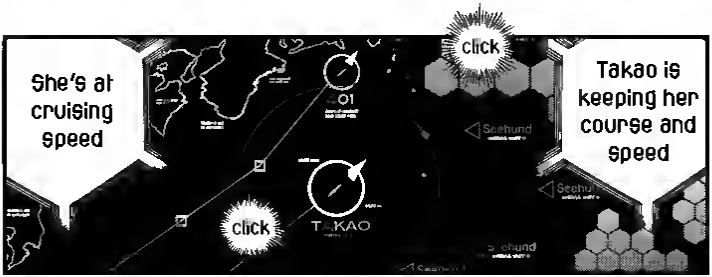

IF I MAKE A BAD MOVE, THEN THEY'LL KNOW THAT I KNOW
I GUESS I JUST HAVE TO KEEP GOING...
...SOME-THING'S OUT THERE


I'LL CHECK
THE MOVEMENTS OF HARUNA, WHO HAS MADE CONTACT WITH THE BEING BELIEVED TO BE THE "ADMIRALTY CODE"


ROGER... AFTER I RUN THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP'S ERRAND,
I'LL TRY TO LOOK FOR NAGARA'S CORE
NAGARA'S CORE?
THAT'S WHAT THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP TOLD ME
I'M CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT HAPPENED TO IT
WELL, I'LL LEAVE YOU TO THAT
I'LL RENDEZVOUS WITH YOU ONCE I FIND OUT WHAT HARUNA IS GOING TO DO
ROGER
SEE YOU LATER

.....
!!
WHO'S MAKING THIS? TAKAO?
WE SPY SUBMARINES ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE
THAT'S 401'S ENGINE SOUND
---NO, IT'S NOT COMPLETELY IDENTICAL

...I SHOULD GO SEE
.....

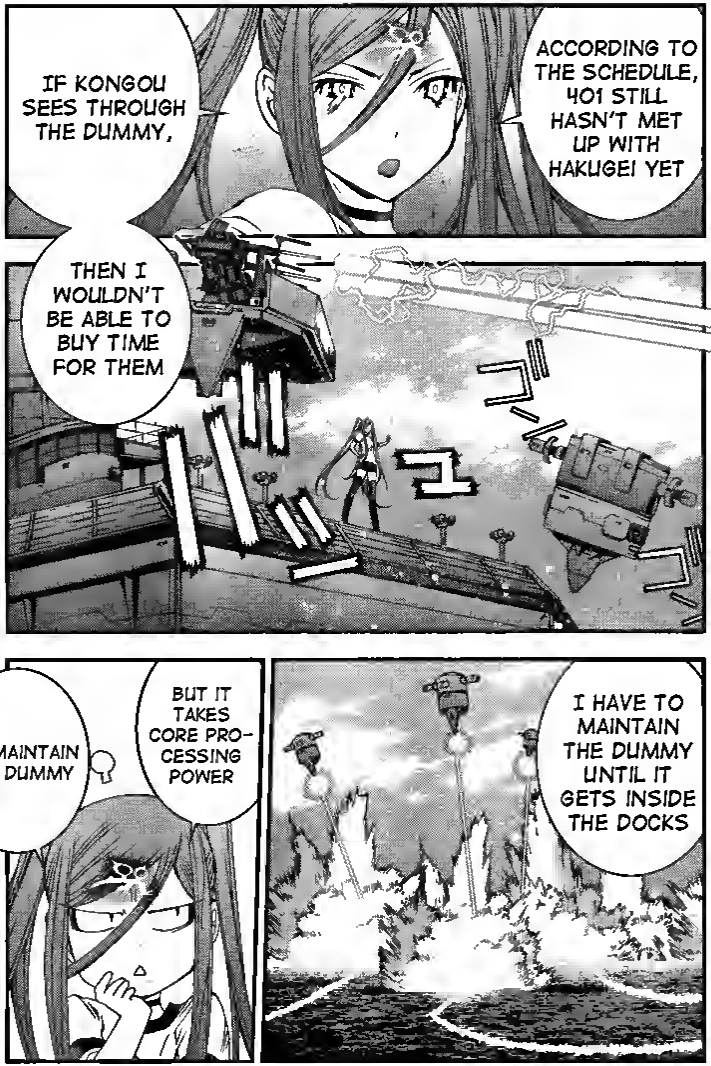

She's at cruising speed
click
Takao is keeping her course and speed
click
TAKAO

THE HUNT BEGINS
ROMUALD, SEND A SIGNAL TO THE "SEEHUND"
KEEP US HERE

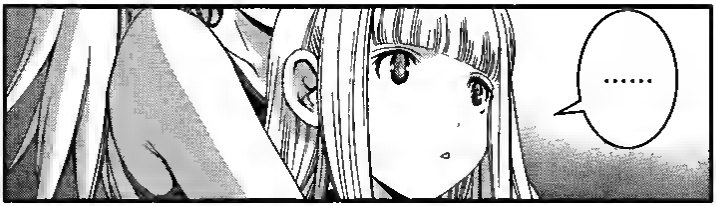
AYE AYE. EVERY "SEEHUND" HAS RECEIVED THE SIGNAL.
EXECUTING WOLFPACK PROGRAM
beep
beep
Command. W02 to a07, engage at will
I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU

THEY CALLED THE TACTIC "WOLFPACK," HUH?
I DON'T HAVE DATA ON IT
MIDGET SUBMARINES? IS THIS THE U-BOAT THAT ATTACKED 401?
SO THIS IS THE NEW SHIP THAT ADMIRAL SHOUZOU SENT FROM EUROPE, HUH
THIS IS BAD. THE DUMMY... STILL HASN'T GOTTEN TO THE PORT YET
SHOULD'VE EXPECTED AS MUCH

...SHE'S MOVING SLOWER THAN THE SPECS WE HAD ON HER
CRUISER TAKAO
HERE IS THE SUM-MARY
HERE'S THE FIRST ANALYSIS ON THE DATA ON TAKAO
I SEE...
TAKAO
IT'S THAT DUMMY, HUH
click
click
401


IF KONGOU SEES THROUGH THE DUMMY,
ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE, 401 STILL HASN'T MET UP WITH HAKUGEI YET
THEN I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO BUY TIME FOR THEM
TO MAINTAIN THE DUMMY
BUT IT TAKES CORE PROCESSING POWER
I HAVE TO MAINTAIN THE DUMMY UNTIL IT GETS INSIDE THE DOCKS

HM?
WHAT IS IT?
HERE IS THE FIFTH ENGINE ROOM. THE HAKUGEI HAS...
TAKAO CONTACTED ME FOR A MOMENT...
TAKAO?
IT WAS JUST FOR A MOMENT
SHE DISCONNECTED RIGHT AWAY
MAYBE SHE WANTED TO KNOW WHERE YOU ARE?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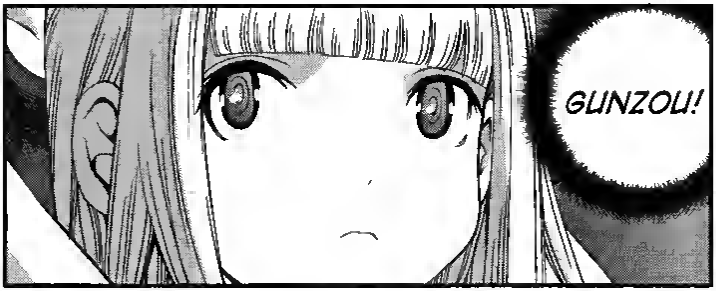
GUNZOU!

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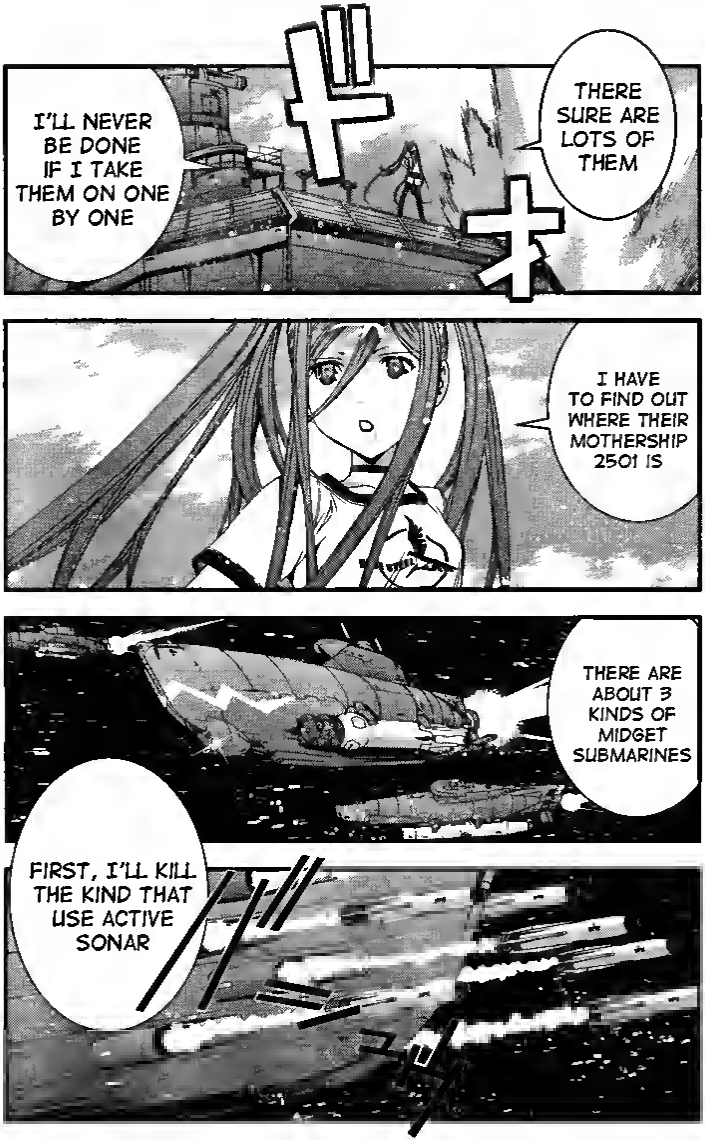
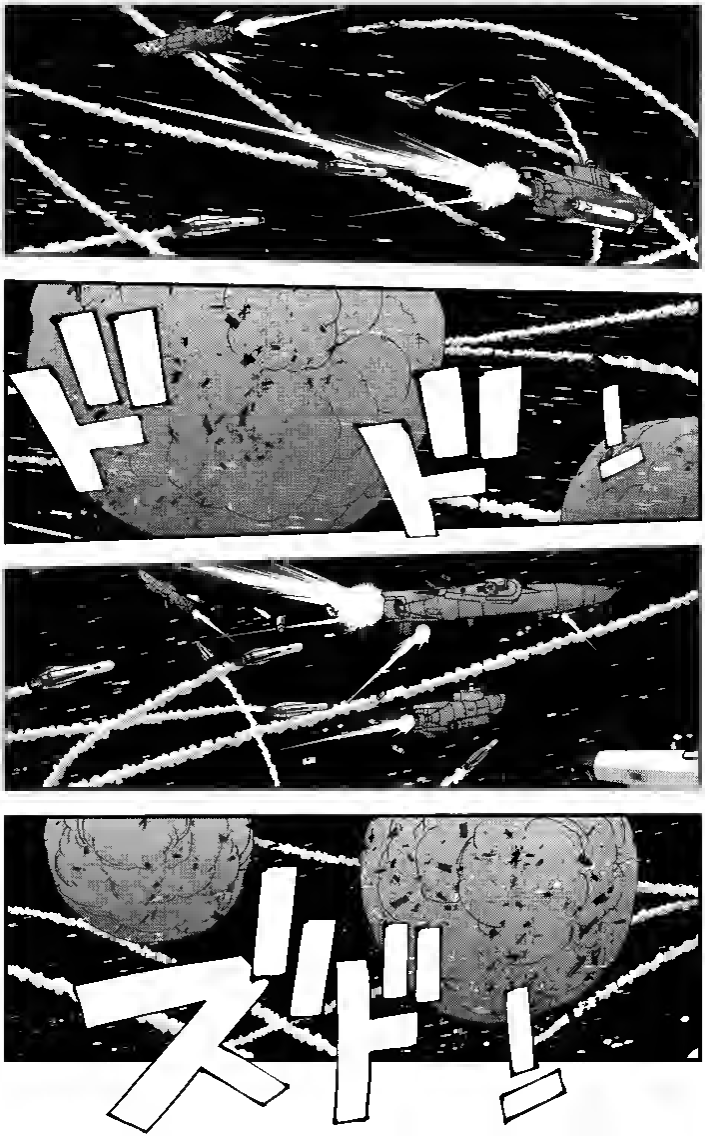

I'LL NEVER BE DONE IF I TAKE THEM ON ONE BY ONE
THERE SURE ARE LOTS OF THEM
I HAVE TO FIND OUT WHERE THEIR MOTHERSHIP 2501 IS
THERE ARE ABOUT 3 KINDS OF MIDGET SUBMARINES
FIRST, I'LL KILL THE KIND THAT USE ACTIVE SONAR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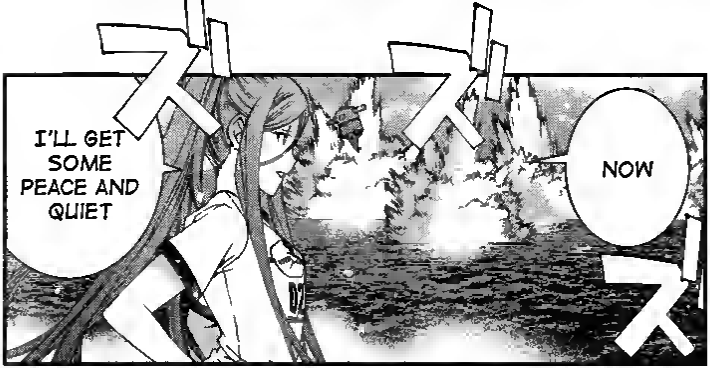
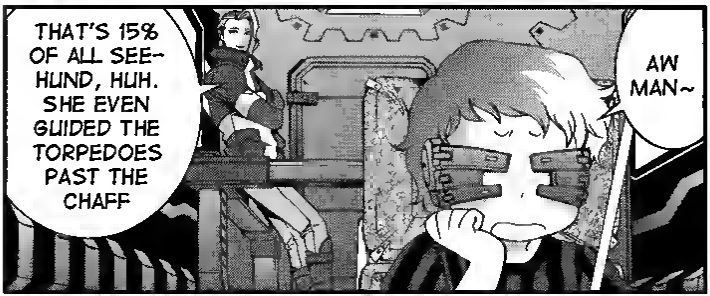
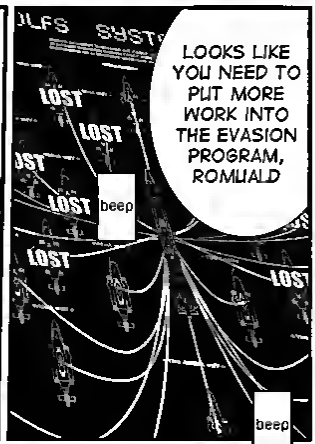

I'LL GET SOME PEACE AND QUIET
NOW


THAT'S 15% OF ALL SEE-HUND, HUH. SHE EVEN GUIDED THE TORPEDOES PAST THE CHAFF
AW MAN~

SHE JUST HAS TOO MUCH EXPERIENCE
OR MAYBE
TAKAO
beep
Seehund
Seehund


LOOKS LIKE YOU NEED TO PUT MORE WORK INTO THE EVASION PROGRAM, ROMUALD
LOST
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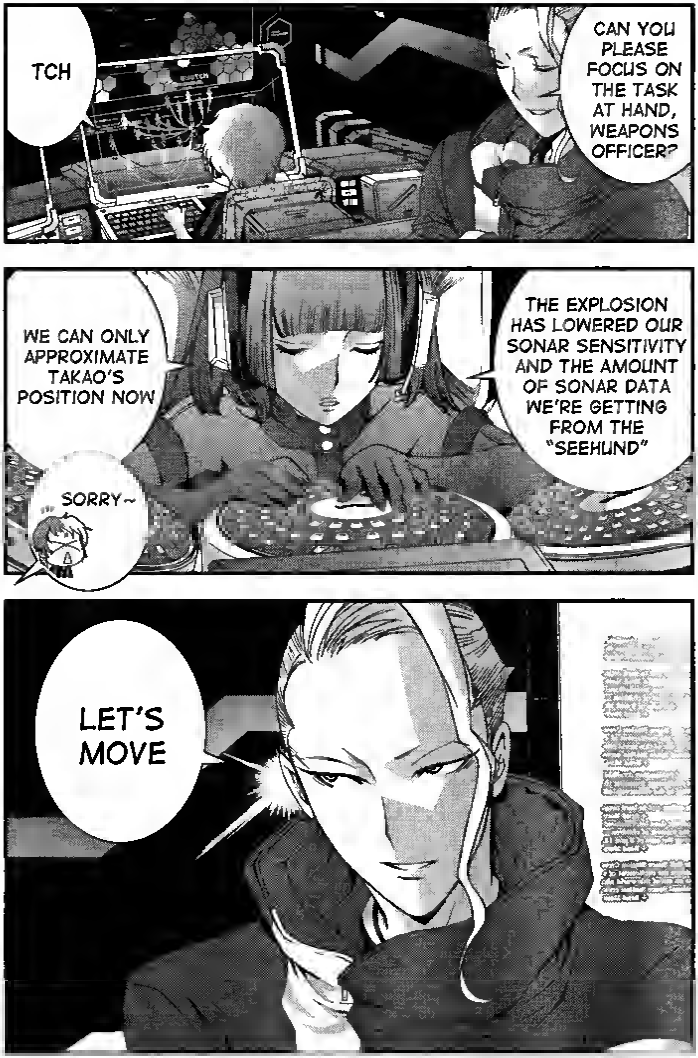
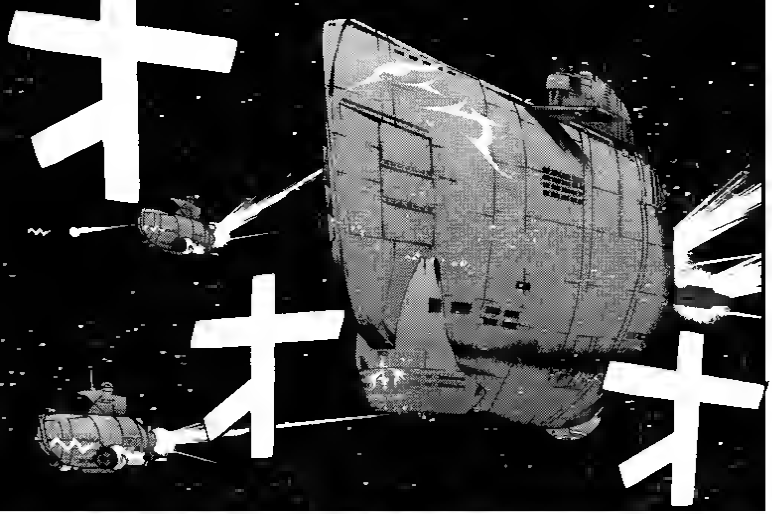
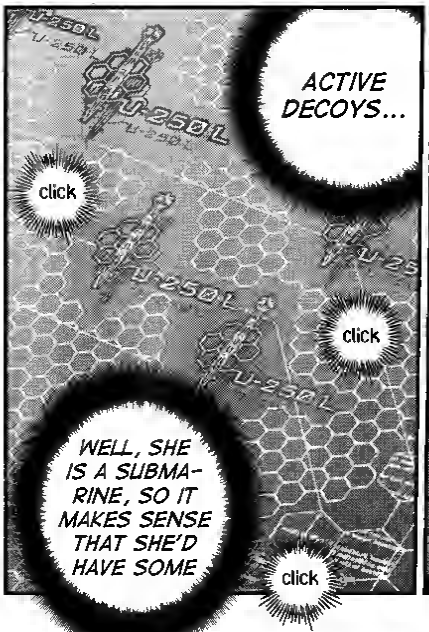
LOST
LOST
beep
beep


TCH
CAN YOU PLEASE FOCUS ON THE TASK AT HAND, WEAPONS OFFICER?
WE CAN ONLY APPROXIMATE TAKAO'S POSITION NOW
THE EXPLOSION HAS LOWERED OUR SONAR SENSITIVITY AND THE AMOUNT OF SONAR DATA WE'RE GETTING FROM THE "SEEHUND"
SORRY~
LET'S MOVE




U-250L
U-250L
U-250L
U-250L
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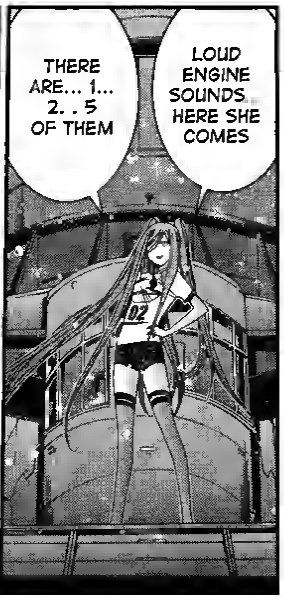
U-250L
ACTIVE DECOYS...
click
click
click
WELL, SHE IS A SUBMA-RINE, SO IT MAKES SENSE THAT SHE'D HAVE SOME


LOUD ENGINE SOUNDS. HERE SHE COMES
THERE ARE... 1... 2.. 5 OF THEM
02

Bearing 0-7-8
Speed- 60 knots
Hard turn on port
Takao's engine sound identified
Position determined
BUT THE PROBLEM IS THE TIMING
HOMING TORPEDOES WILL BUY ME SOME TIME,
I NEED TO GET OUT THESE WATERS
AS LONG AS THERE ARE DUMMIES, I CAN'T USE MY SUPERHEAVY CANNON

250, FULL SPEED!
HAVE THE "SEEHUND" THAT RAN OUT OF TORPEDOES GO BACK TO "MILCHKUH" TO RESUPPLY
WHICH ONE IS REAL?
I GUESS I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE

Hard to starboard! Have the decoys surround us!
18 torpedoes released at once

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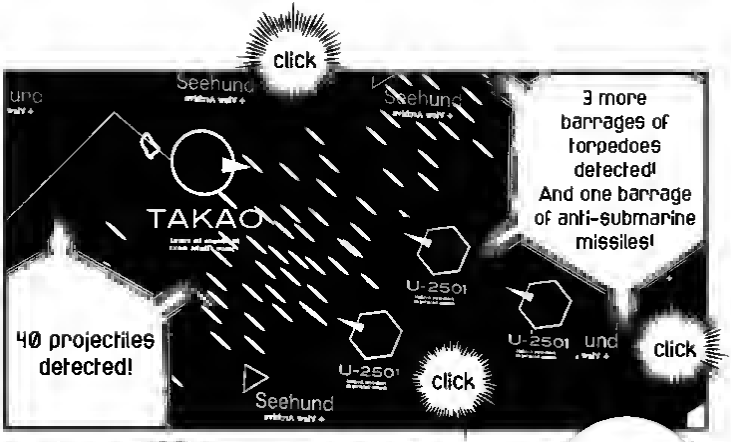
click
Seehund
Seehund
TAKAO
U-2501
U-2501
U-2501
Seehund
3 more barrages of torpedoes detected! And one barrage of anti-submarine missiles!
40 projectiles detected!
click
click
click

click
HAVE THE "SEEHUND" ALSO TAKE EVASIVE ACTION!
STIR UP THE WATERS!
HARD TO PORT! DISPERSE S-MINES!
click

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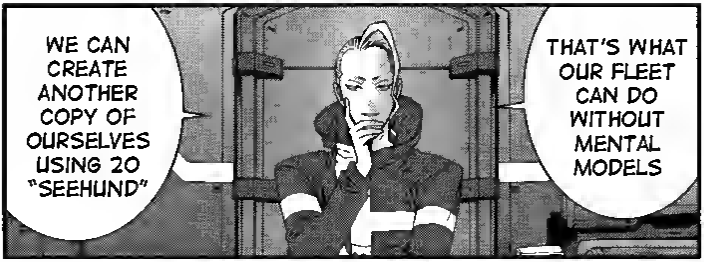
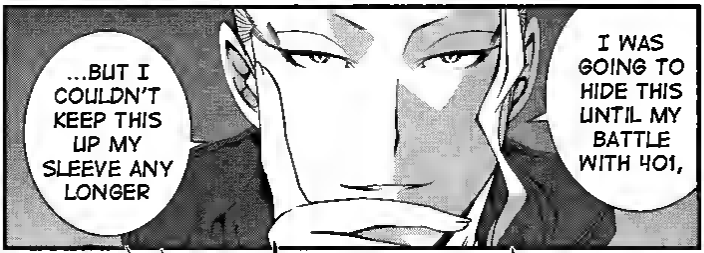
I HAVE YOU NOW!
TOO LATE!
WHY DIDN'T HE... EVADE OR USE ACOUSTIC TORPEDOES .....!?
...NO, WAIT
!!

AH!
SH-
...!

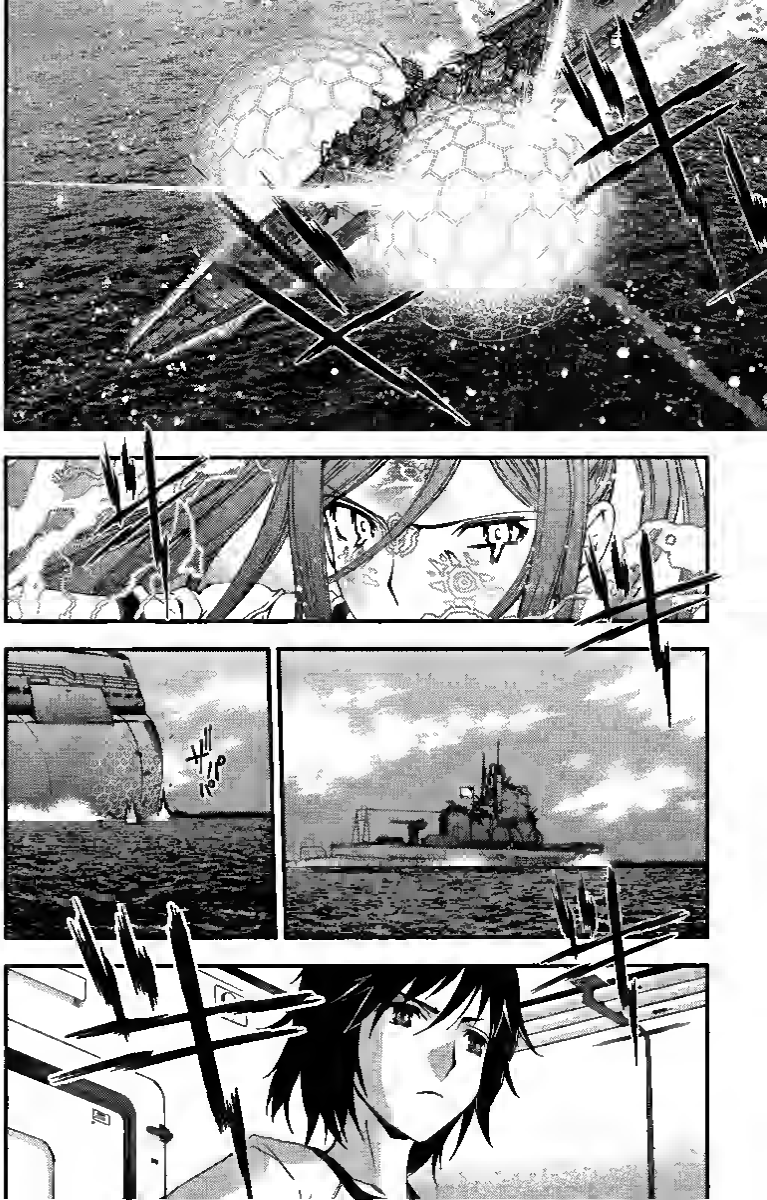
THERE WERE TWO OF THEM!?
THERE WAS
ANOTHER REAL SHIP AMONG THE DECOYS!?


WE CAN CREATE ANOTHER COPY OF OURSELVES USING 20 "SEEHUND"
THAT'S WHAT OUR FLEET CAN DO WITHOUT MENTAL MODELS

I HAD TO USE THIS SINCE YOU WERE KILLING THE "SEEHUND"
Seehund
U-2501
TAKAO
U-2501
U-2501
Seehund


...BUT I COULDN'T KEEP THIS UP MY SLEEVE ANY LONGER
I WAS GOING TO HIDE THIS UNTIL MY BATTLE WITH 401,

THE FIELD CALCULA-TION IS... NO!



Is Takao going to disappear without ever meeting with 401 again?

MANDATE FROM THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP!?

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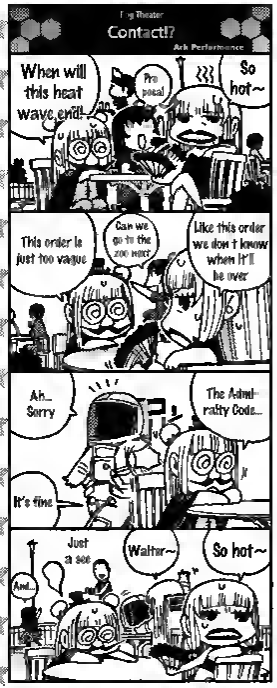
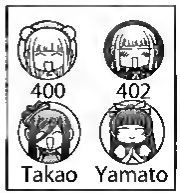




402: Ah, I guess you leave me with no choice... I've saved someone just for this.

400: ...When?

Yamato: Who?

402: Someone who can make us a company name and logo.

400: Who?

402: This man!

400: He's **bound and gagged**...

Yamato: Oh my! I've seem him before! He's... **a part of God**...

402: That's right! He's "Number 2"!
(Note: the members of Ark-Performance call themselves "Number 1", "Number 2", etc.)

400: Even if he's God... he's bound and gagged...

Yamato: I can hardly believe my eyes! Good job catching him!

400: "Catching"...

402: I heard someone say **"Package from A--zon"**, so I opened my door and found him there.

400: Wait, lolwut?

Yamato: So that's how you catch God!

402: I just used otaku logic. This was only possible because I'm an otaku. Oh, thank goodness I'm an otaku. Thank goodness!

400: ...

Yamato: Indeed! Your otakuness really helped us out. I can't believe that you're such a good otaku! What luck!

400: ...

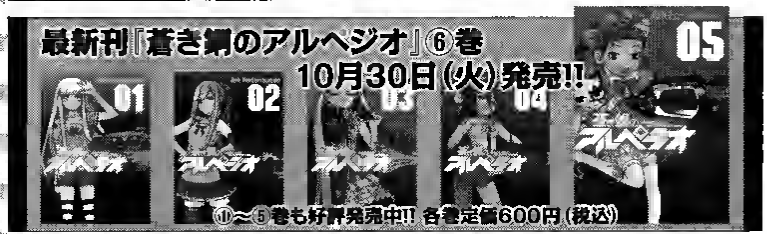
Yamato: Then, let's have him think of a company name and logo for us!

402: Of course! We'll have it by next month, O Supreme Flagship! I'll tell him, **"your Iro- Man collection is important to you...right?"**

400: That's (^_^;.

402: Now, please look forward to the next chapter!

Takao: Hey... What about my fate...?



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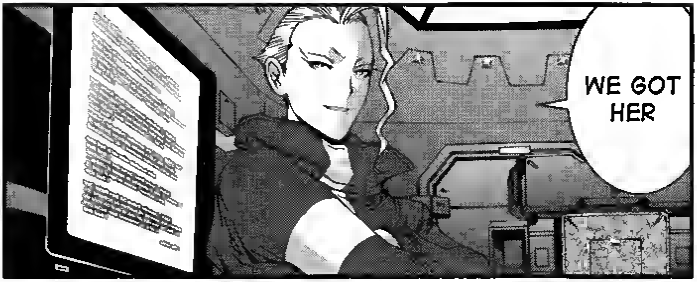
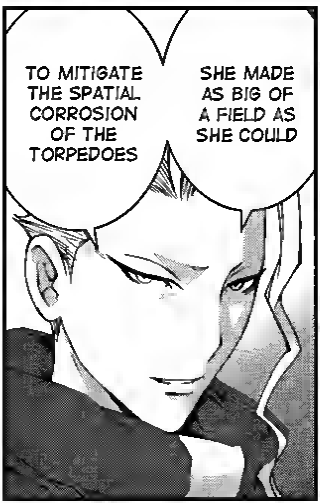
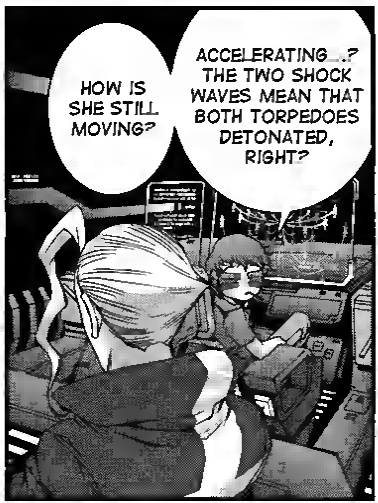
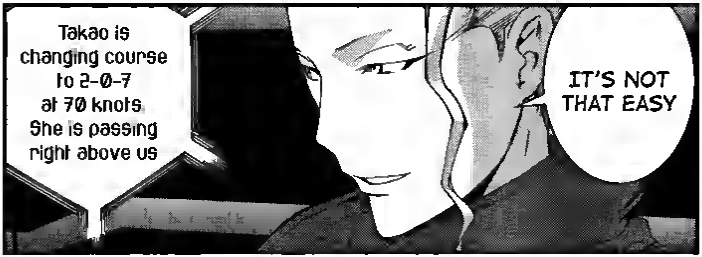

WE GOT HER

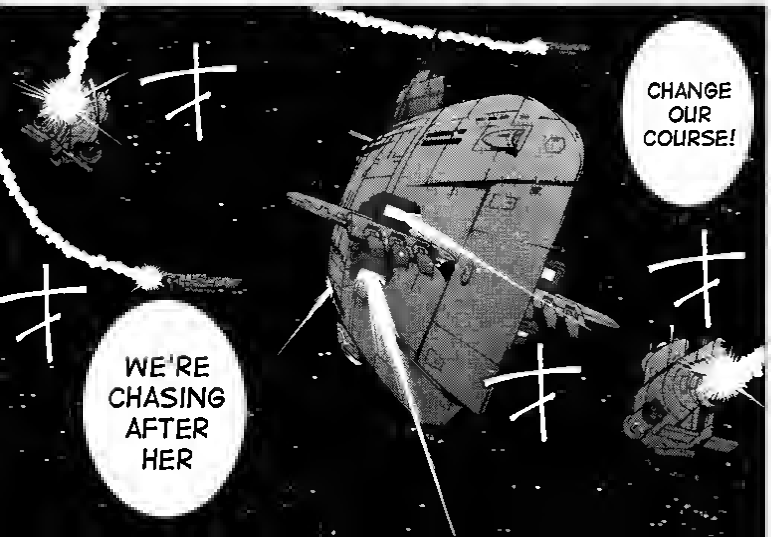
TAKAO IS ACCEL-ERATING
TWO SPATIAL SHOCK WAVES DETECTED


TO MITIGATE THE SPATIAL CORROSION OF THE TORPEDOES
SHE MADE AS BIG OF A FIELD AS SHE COULD


HOW IS SHE STILL MOVING?
ACCELERATING ..? THE TWO SHOCK WAVES MEAN THAT BOTH TORPEDOES DETONATED, RIGHT?

I THOUGHT THAT SHE WAS GONE FOR GOOD
QUITE IMPRES-SIVE


Takao is changing course to 2-0-7 at 70 knots. She is passing right above us
IT'S NOT THAT EASY


CHANGE OUR COURSE!
WE'RE CHASING AFTER HER

72% OF MY KLEIN FIELD
HAS BEEN LOST
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MY VITAL PARTS WEREN'T DAMAGED...
THAT WAS CLOSE
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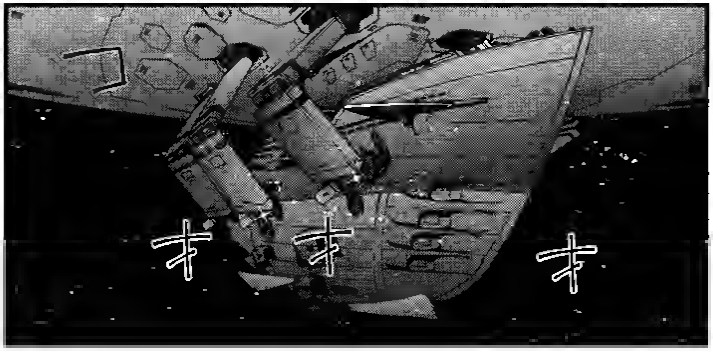
.....
THEY'RE COMING AFTER ME...

I'LL BE READY FOR ROUND 2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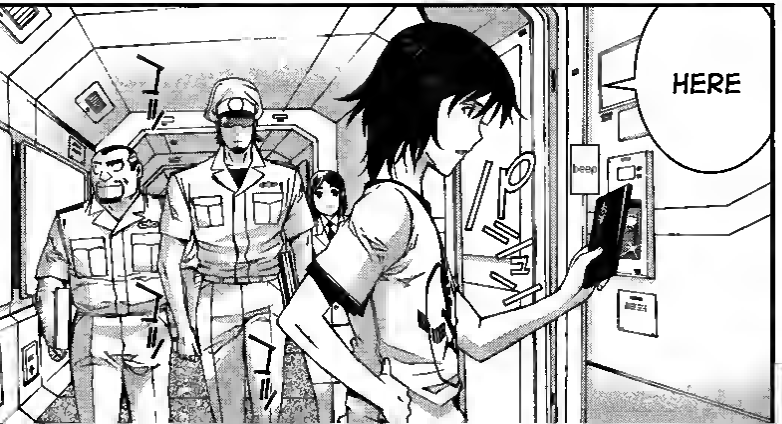
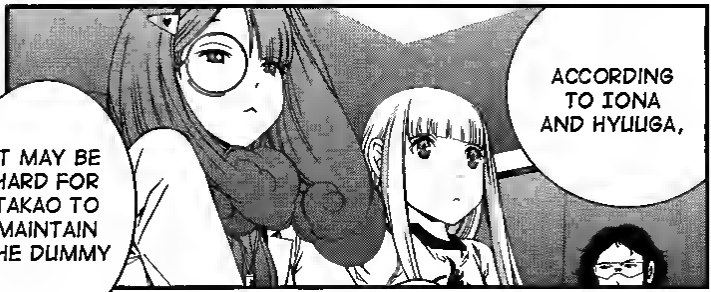

HERE
beep

PLEASE COME IN
DON'T MIND IF WE DO
I HAVEN'T BEEN ON BOARD EVER SINCE YOUR DAD LEFT

SORRY FOR HOLDING AN EMERGENCY MEETING, EVERYONE
BLUESTEEL
ACCORDING TO IONA AND HYUUGA, RIGHT NOW, HEAVY CRUISER TAKAO MAY BE FIGHTING THE U-BOAT WE MET

AS YOU ALL KNOW, TAKAO HAD BEEN GIVEN THE TASK OF CONTROLLING THE DUMMY,
WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR CURRENT MISSION


ACCORDING TO IONA AND HYUUGA,
IT MAY BE HARD FOR TAKAO TO MAINTAIN THE DUMMY

I WANT TO DISCUSS OUR NEXT MOVE
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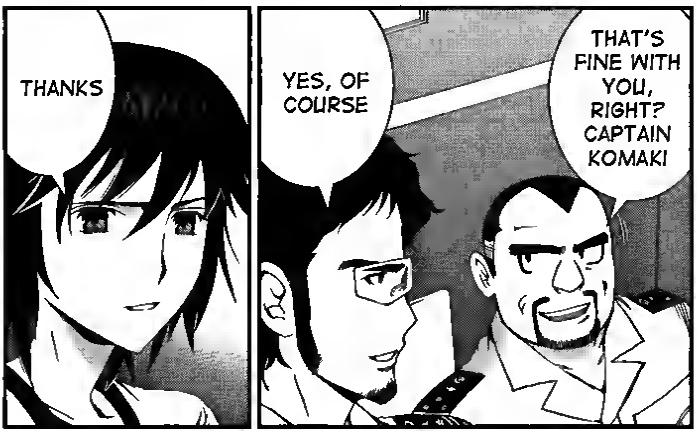
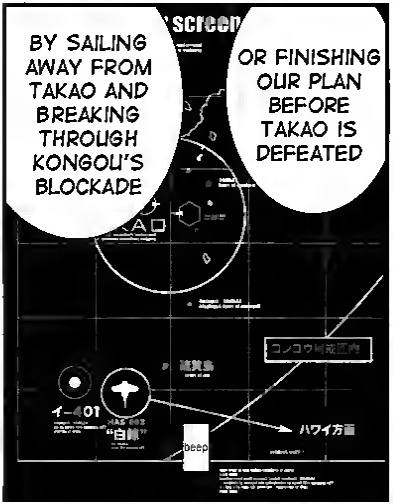
THAT'S WHY

WE'LL JUST BE HERE AS OBSERVERS
WE HAVE NO SAY IN YOUR FLEET'S ACTIONS


THANKS
YES, OF COURSE
THAT'S FINE WITH YOU, RIGHT? CAPTAIN KOMAKI

THERE ARE TWO GENERAL COURSES OF ACTION THAT WE CAN TAKE
CONSIDERING WHAT IONA AND HYUUGA HAVE TOLD US,
beep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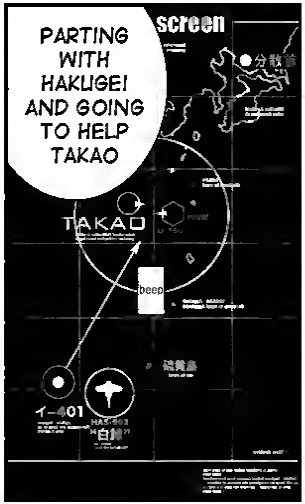
BY SAILING AWAY FROM TAKAO AND BREAKING THROUGH KONGOU'S BLOCKADE
OR FINISHING OUR PLAN BEFORE TAKAO IS DEFEATED
コンゴウ戦艦内
ハワイ方面
beep
イ-401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PARTING WITH HAKUGEI AND GOING TO HELP TAKAO
TAKAO
beep
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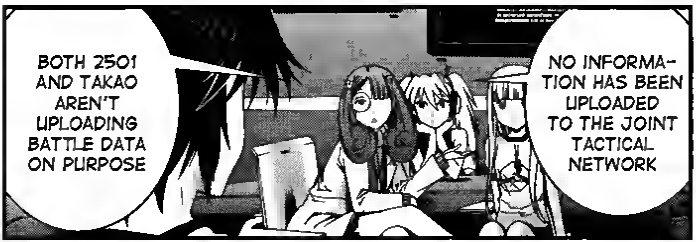
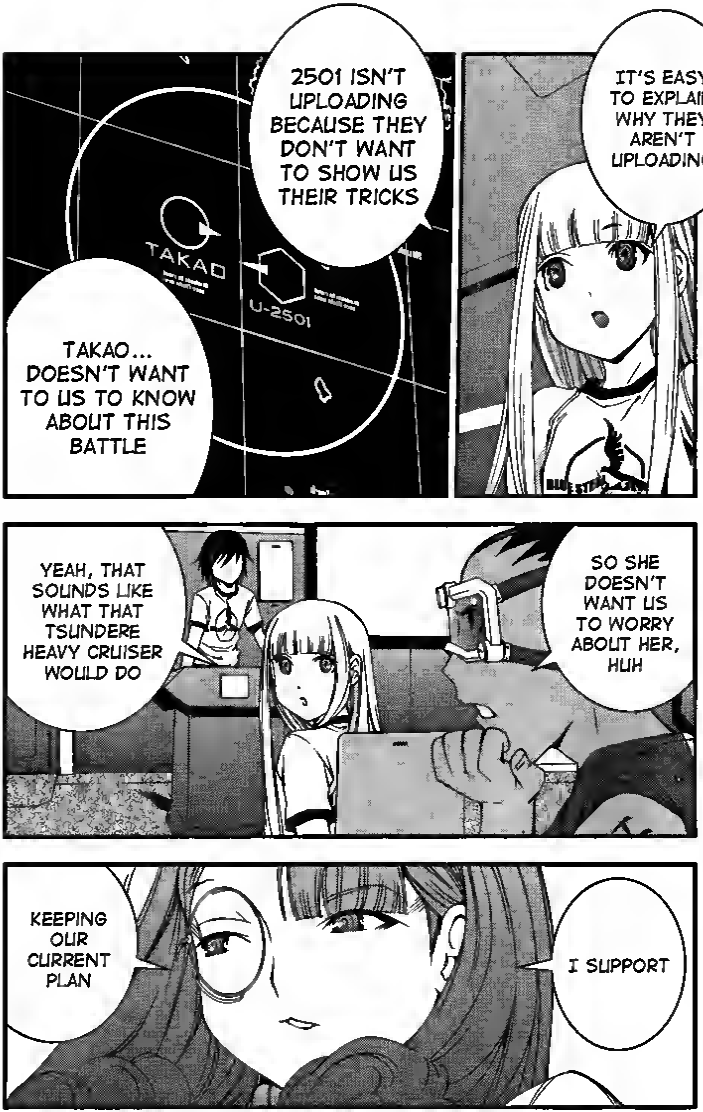
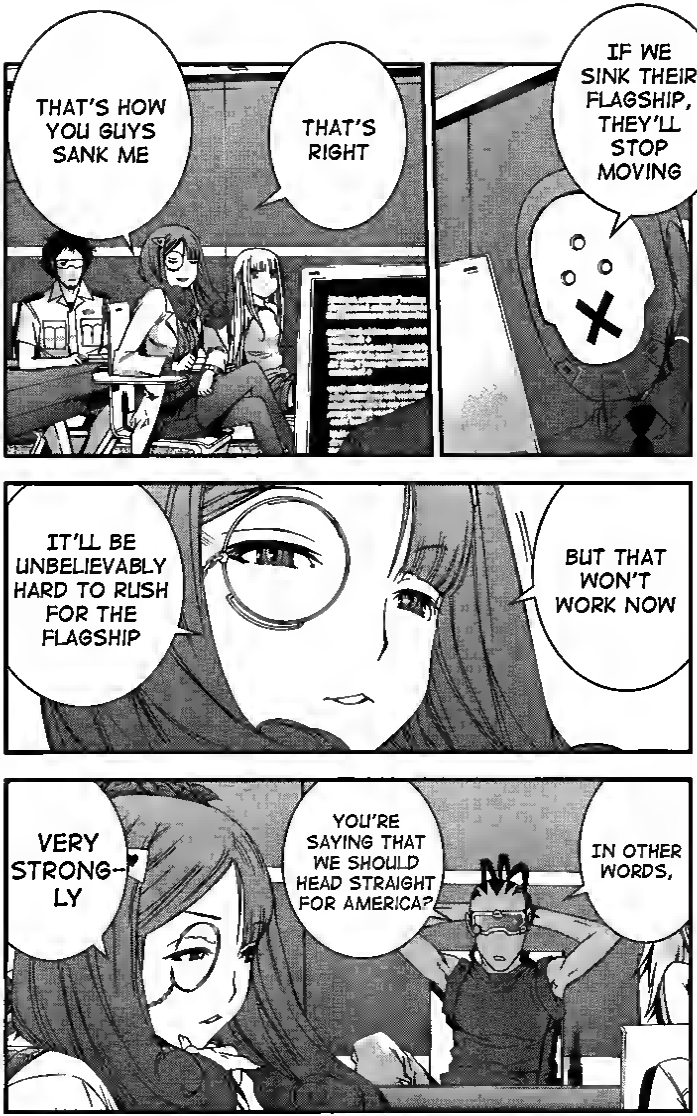

BOTH 2501 AND TAKAO AREN'T UPLOADING BATTLE DATA ON PURPOSE
NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN UPLOADED TO THE JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK


2501 ISN'T UPLOADING BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO SHOW US THEIR TRICKS
IT'S EASY TO EXPLAIN WHY THEY AREN'T UPLOADING
TAKAO
U-2501
TAKAO... DOESN'T WANT TO US TO KNOW ABOUT THIS BATTLE
YEAH, THAT SOUNDS LIKE WHAT THAT TSUNDERE HEAVY CRUISER WOULD DO
SO SHE DOESN'T WANT US TO WORRY ABOUT HER, HUH
KEEPING OUR CURRENT PLAN
I SUPPORT

WE CAN GET OUT OF A BATTLECRUISER'S BLOCKADE WITHOUT FIGHTING HER FLEET
WE HAVE AN ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CHANCE HERE
BUT WE MAY LOSE TAKAO
WE'RE HAPPY JUST TO CARRY OUT OUR MISSIONS
WE'RE WARSHIPS

WELL... SUPPOSE THAT WE TURN AROUND AND SAVE TAKAO
A COLD AND CALM JUDGMENT AS EXPECTED OF A FORMER FLEET FLAGSHIP
8 HEAVY CRUISERS, AND 3 SQUADS OF DESTROYERS AND LIGHT CRUISERS
AFTER THAT, WE'LL HAVE TO FIGHT KONGOU'S FLEET TO BREAK THROUGH HER BLOCKADE
HER FLEET INCLUDES HIEI,
SHE HAS AT LEAST 40 SHIPS

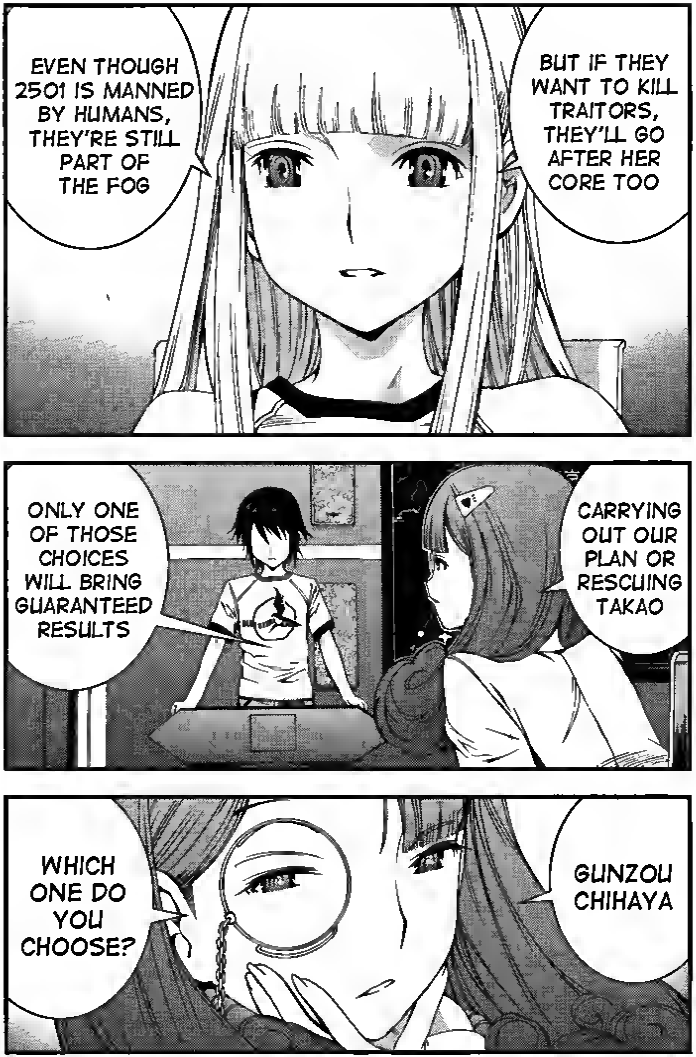
SHE PROBABLY HAS A FEW SUBMARINES TOO
IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE THAT MY FORMER CONSORT SHIP ISE IS IN HER FLEET
A HEAVY CRUISER THAT'S PROBABLY DAMAGED,
WE ONLY HAVE A MODIFIED 401, AS POWERFUL AS SHE MAY BE,
AND HAKUGEI, WHICH CAN ONLY ACT AS BAIT TO THE FOG
OUR CHANCES OF ESCAPING ARE ALMOST ZERO
IF WE FIGHT THEIR FLEET,

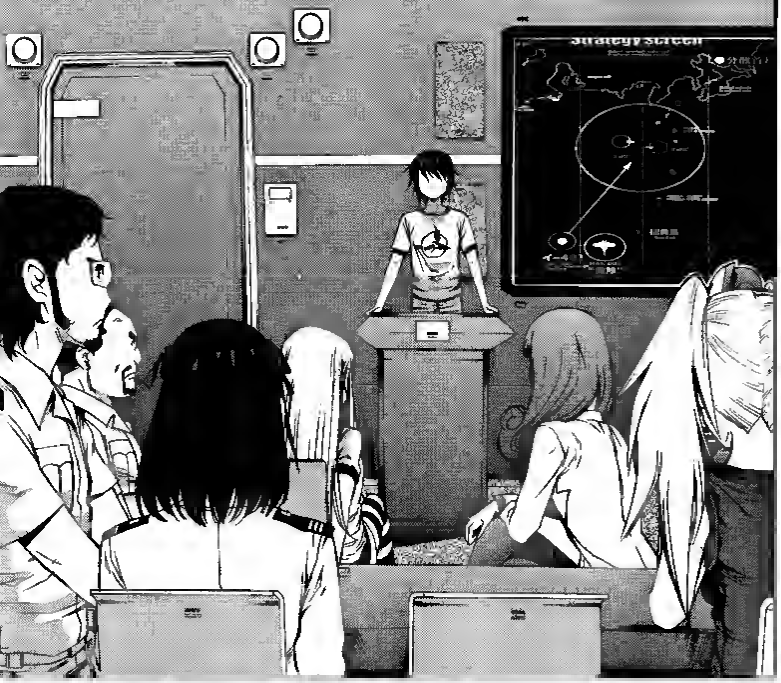

THAT'S HOW YOU GUYS SANK ME
THAT'S RIGHT
IF WE SINK THEIR FLAGSHIP, THEY'LL STOP MOVING
IT'LL BE UNBELIEVABLY HARD TO RUSH FOR THE FLAGSHIP
BUT THAT WON'T WORK NOW
VERY STRONG--LY
YOU'RE SAYING THAT WE SHOULD HEAD STRAIGHT FOR AMERICA?
IN OTHER WORDS,

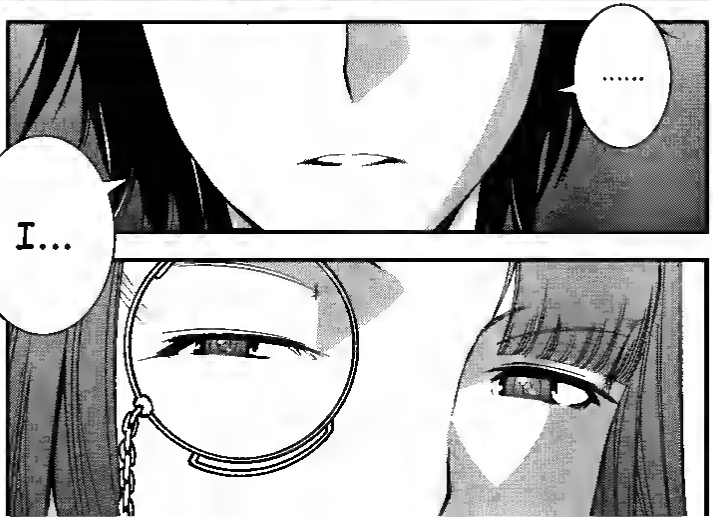
IF WE CAN BREAK THROUGH THE BLOCKADE BEFORE TAKAO GET SUNK...
THEN I THINK THAT WILL JUSTIFY THE LOSS OF ONE HEAVY CRUISER
AND IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE FOR TAKAO TO SURVIVE
.....
WHAT DO YOU THINK,
CAPTAIN?

WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE GOALS OF THE U-BOAT ARE
.....
BUT THEY MAY JUST BE SIMPLY TRYING TO SINK TAKAO
AND ARE TRYING TO OBSTRUCT US,
THEY MAY HAVE FOUND OUT ABOUT OUR PLAN
U-2501
BECAUSE SHE BETRAYED THE FOG
IF THEY'RE TRYING TO OBSTRUCT OUR PLAN,
THEN WHEN WE BREAK THROUGH KONGOU'S BLOCKADE,

BECAUSE THERE'LL BE NO POINT TO HUNTING HER DOWN
THEY'LL STOP FIGHTING TAKAO
LIKE US, THEY HAVE LIMITED AMMO
HOWEVER, IF THEIR GOAL IS TO SINK TAKAO,
THEN THEY WON'T CARE ABOUT US
IF WE CAN FIND HER CORE, THEN WE CAN REVIVE HER...
TAKAO MAY GET SUNK


EVEN THOUGH 2501 IS MANNED BY HUMANS, THEY'RE STILL PART OF THE FOG
BUT IF THEY WANT TO KILL TRAITORS, THEY'LL GO AFTER HER CORE TOO
ONLY ONE OF THOSE CHOICES WILL BRING GUARANTEED RESULTS
CARRYING OUT OUR PLAN OR RESCUING TAKAO
WHICH ONE DO YOU CHOOSE?
GUNZOU CHIHAYA



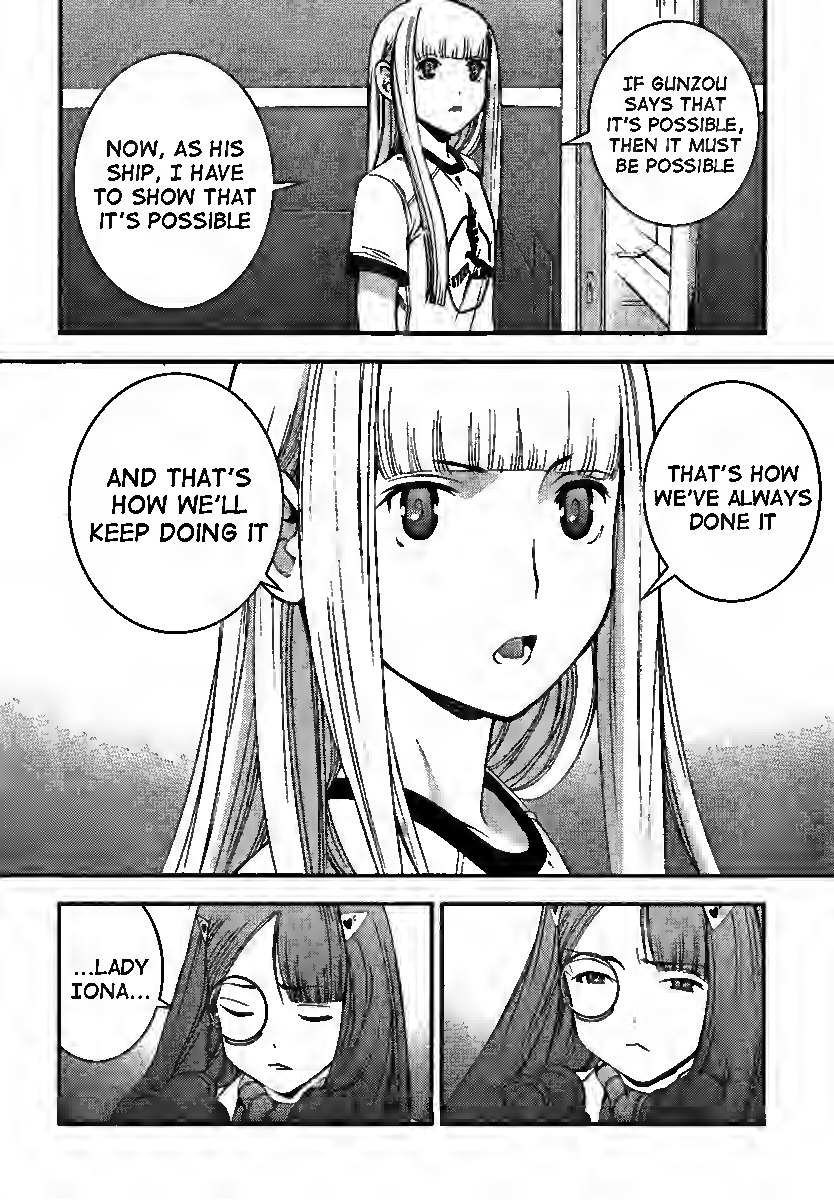

.....
I...

CHOOSE NEITHER
I WILL
BLUE STEEL
No. 2! Put the engines on standby!
THEN IT'S SETTLED

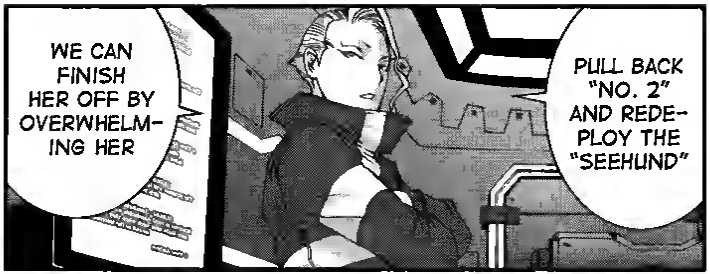
Sorry for interrupting your meeting. This is the 401 sonar
SHE'S DONE FOR
gravitons, and spatial shock waves
We've detected faint explosion sounds,
LADY IONA?
IF 2501 SANK TAKAO, THEN THEY'D LET EVERYONE KNOW

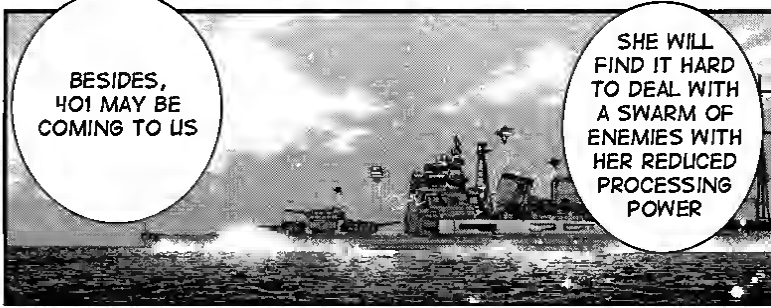
MY CAPTAIN HAS HANDED DOWN HIS DECISION
NOW I HAVE TO FOLLOW IT
DECI-SION...?
HYUUGA
I WILL CHOOSE NEITHER ONE OVER THE OTHER
I WILL RESCUE TAKAO
AND BREAK THROUGH KONGOU'S BLOCKADE

AS LONG AS WE HAVE 401, ANYTHING'S POSSIBLE
IMPOSSIBLE!
...TH-THAT'S
HYUUGA
BY THEN, TAKAO...
BUT IT'S GONNA TAKE AT LEAST 10 MINUTES TO REACH TAKAO
IT'S OKAY


NOW, AS HIS SHIP, I HAVE TO SHOW THAT IT'S POSSIBLE
IF GUNZOU SAYS THAT IT'S POSSIBLE, THEN IT MUST BE POSSIBLE
AND THAT'S HOW WE'LL KEEP DOING IT
THAT'S HOW WE'VE ALWAYS DONE IT
...LADY IONA...

AL-
RIGHT
IF LADY IONA IS FINE WITH IT, THEN I AM AS WELL
...I UNDER-STAND
LET'S GO!
beep
WOLFS SYSTEM
THE SEEHUND HAVE BEEN RESUPPLIED
beep


WE CAN FINISH HER OFF BY OVERWHELM-ING HER
PULL BACK "NO. 2" AND REDE-PLOY THE "SEEHUND"


BESIDES, 401 MAY BE COMING TO US
SHE WILL FIND IT HARD TO DEAL WITH A SWARM OF ENEMIES WITH HER REDUCED PROCESSING POWER

AND DESTROY HER CORE BEFORE THEY GET HERE
I'LL SINK TAKAO

HE'S A NICE MAN
THAT'S THE KIND OF MAN THAT GUNZOU CHIHAYA IS... NAIVE
HUH? THEY'RE COMING BACK?
HE MAY BE LIKEABLE,
YEAH
BUT HE'S A FOOL

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NO MATTER WHAT...
NO MATTER WHAT...
I'LL PROTECT THE DUMMY!
Explosion sounds and strange noises in Takao's engine sound signature detected
WE'VE FINALLY REACHED TAKAO'S VITALS

...WH-... WHAT KIND OF A SHIP AM I...
IF I CAN'T CARRY OUT THE WILL OF MY ADMIRAL!
♣ Takao pre-pared to fight to the death!
GET AHOLD OF YOURSELF, HEAVY CRUISER TAKAO!
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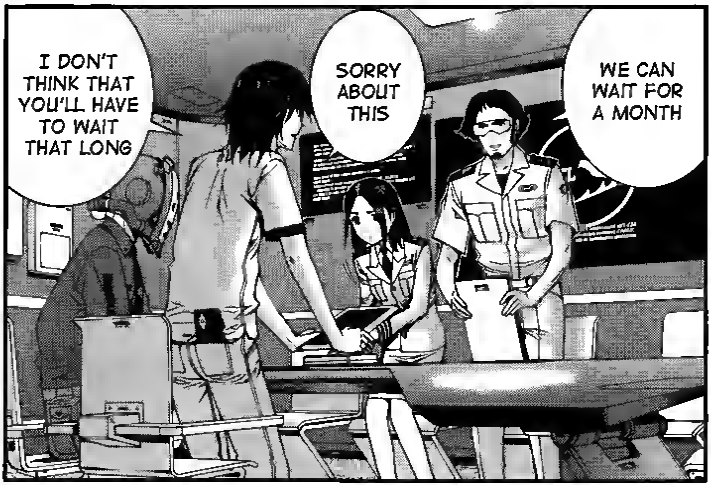
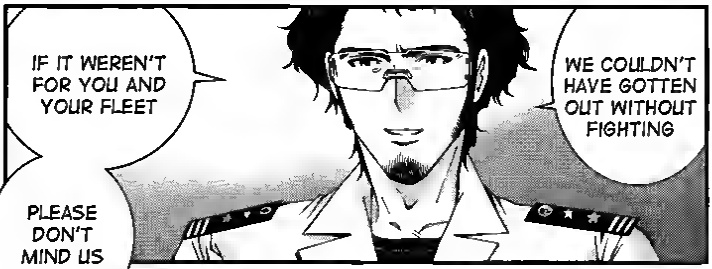
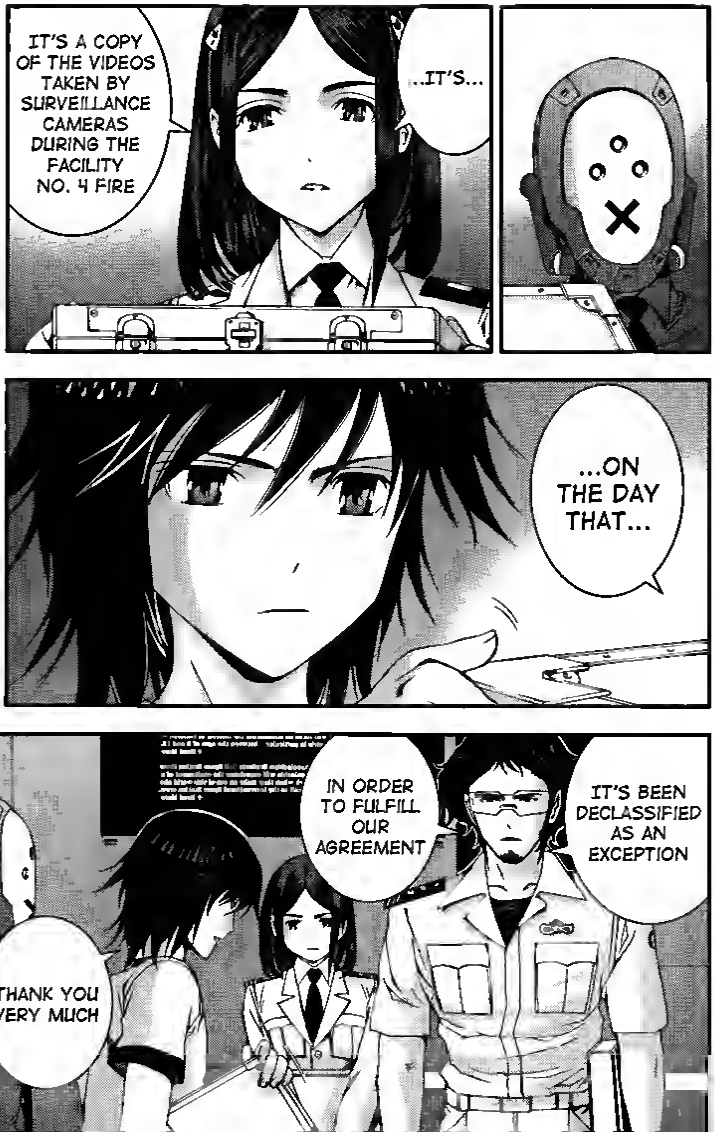
This wallet is the new "giveaway" merchandise this year.
The raws didn't include the page that says how to apply,
so I don't know how, but if it's anything like last time, it probably
isn't feasible for people outside of Japan to apply.
You'll have a better chance with Yahoo Auctions
and middlemen services that can bid for you.

蒼鋼のアルペジオ
ARPEGGIO OF BLUE STEEL
Depth:039
WE'LL WAIT SILENTLY IN THESE WATERS
UNTIL YOUR FLEET RETURNS
Ark Performance


I DON'T THINK THAT YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT THAT LONG
SORRY ABOUT THIS
WE CAN WAIT FOR A MONTH


IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU AND YOUR FLEET
WE COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN OUT WITHOUT FIGHTING
PLEASE DON'T MIND US

ALSO..
UNDER-STOOD
WELL, WE'LL BE SETTING SAIL SOON
FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY KAMIKAGE
I GOT THIS
?
WHEN YOU ACCEPTED THIS PLAN
IT'S ONE OF THE CONDITIONS YOU ASKED OF KAMIKAGE

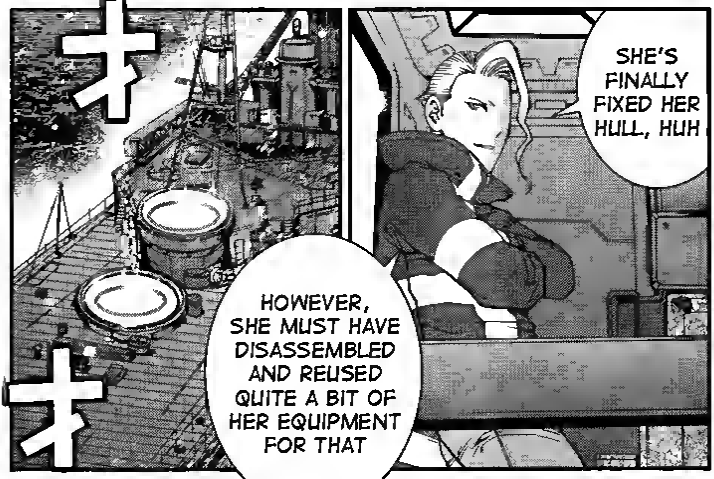

IT'S A COPY OF THE VIDEOS TAKEN BY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS DURING THE FACILITY NO. 4 FIRE
..IT'S...
...ON THE DAY THAT...
IN ORDER TO FULFILL OUR AGREEMENT
IT'S BEEN DECLASSIFIED AS AN EXCEPTION
THANK YOU VERY MUCH

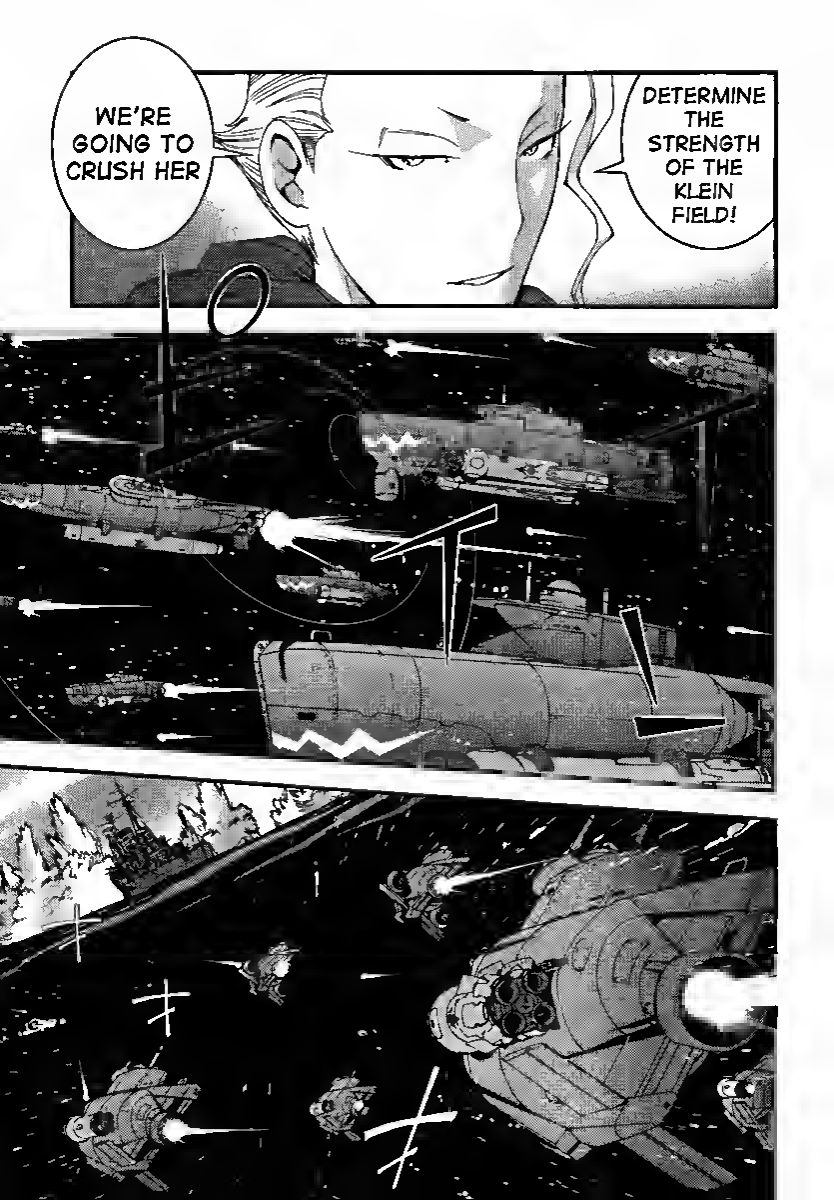
IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME...
...!
LET'S GO BACK TO OUR SHIP, MS. HIBIKI
THEY'RE SETTING SAIL

YES
.....
TCH

click
click

TAKAO HAS ACTIVATED HER WAVE ARMOR
KLEIN FIELD DETECTED


SHE'S FINALLY FIXED HER HULL, HUH
HOWEVER, SHE MUST HAVE DISASSEMBLED AND REUSED QUITE A BIT OF HER EQUIPMENT FOR THAT


WE'RE GOING TO CRUSH HER
DETERMINE THE STRENGTH OF THE KLEIN FIELD!

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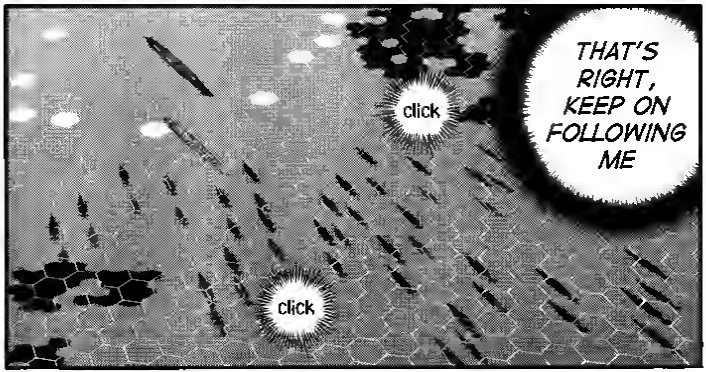
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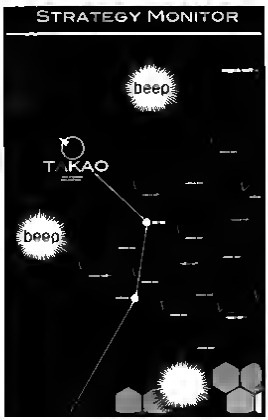
THAT'S RIGHT, KEEP ON FOLLOWING ME

THESE MOVE-MENTS...
WAIT


STRATEGY MONITOR
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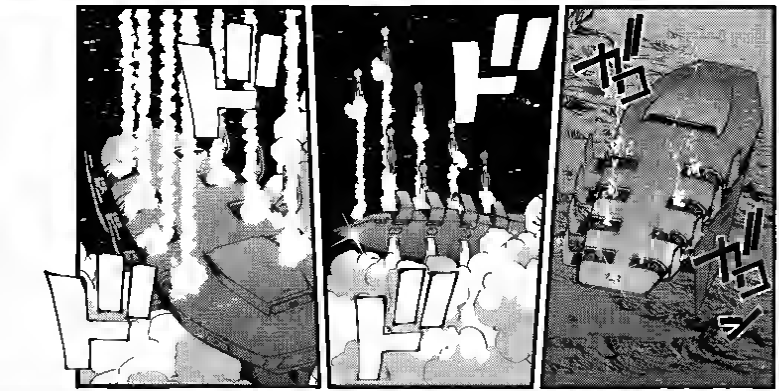
TAKAO
beep

FOR YOU TO DODGE THIS NOW!
IT'S TOO LATE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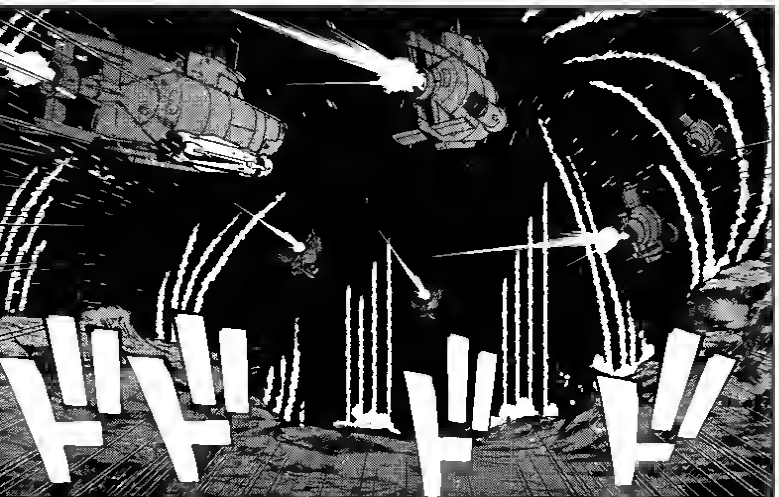
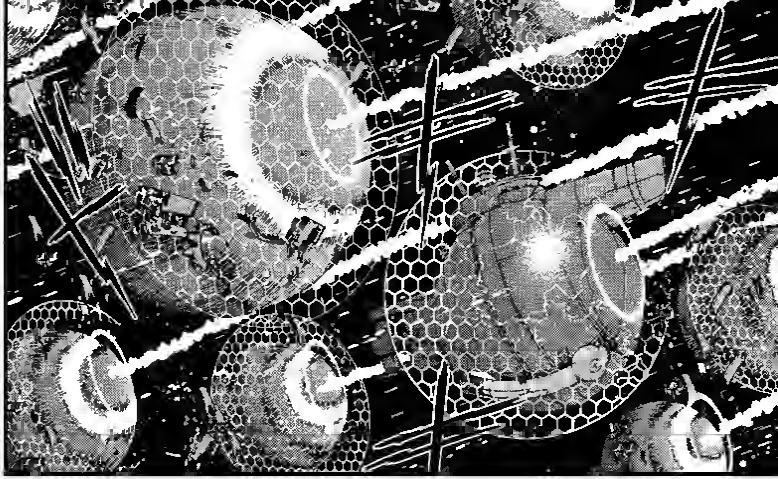
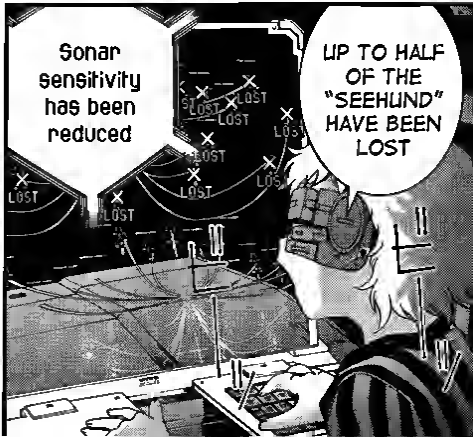
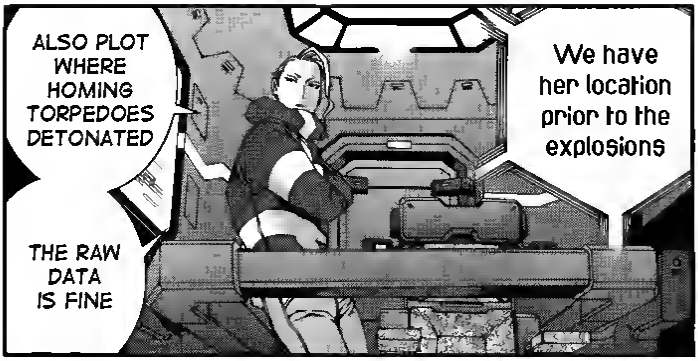


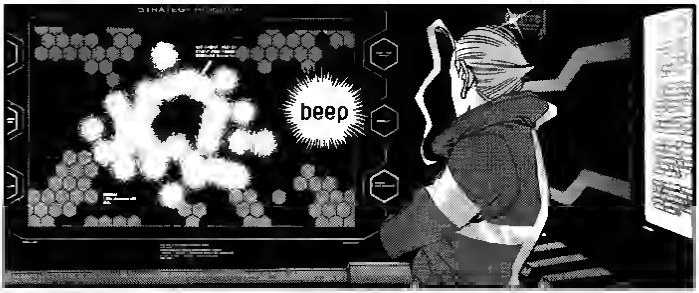


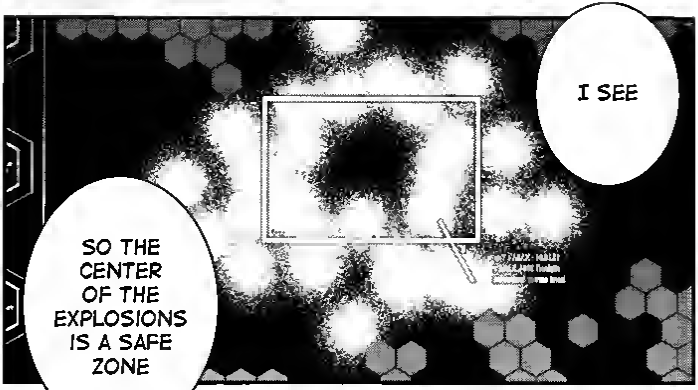
HOMING TORPE-DOES...

FRAN-CETTE
CAN YOU PLOT TAKAO'S LOCATION?


Sonar sensitivity has been reduced
UP TO HALF OF THE "SEEHUND" HAVE BEEN LOST
LOST

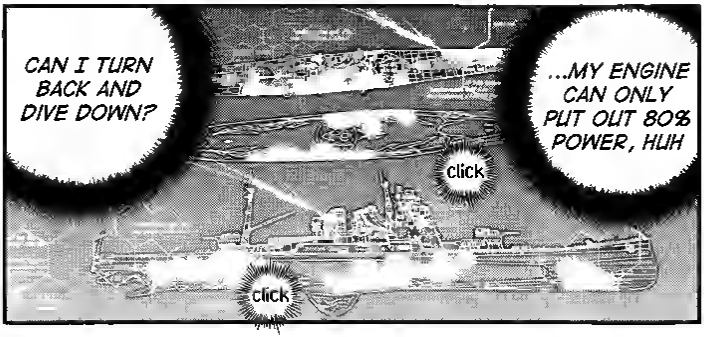

ALSO PLOT WHERE HOMING TORPEDOES DETONATED
We have her location prior to the explosions
THE RAW DATA IS FINE

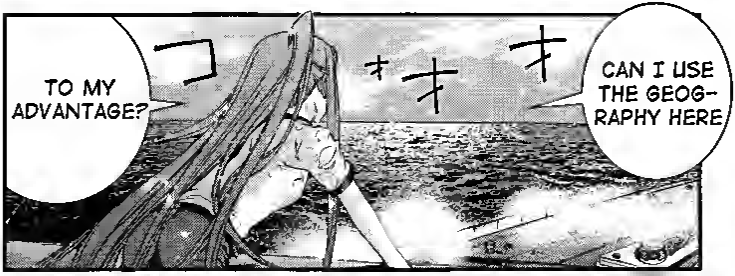

beep


I SEE
SO THE CENTER OF THE EXPLOSIONS IS A SAFE ZONE

ROMUALD
LAUNCH ALL TORPEDOES IN A FAN
WITH 8-DEGREE SPACINGS AT THE SURFACE OF THAT POINT
LAUNCH PANEL
TUBE 1
TUBE 2
TUBE 3
TUBE 4
TUBE 5
TUBE 6
beep
FIVE SECONDS LATER, LAUNCH TWO GUIDED TORPEDOES AFTER TAKAO'S ENGINE SOUND
THEN, LAUNCH WHATEVER WE HAVE IN ALL TUBES, AND RELOAD...
AYE AYE
IF WE CAN'T HEAR HER, THEN SHE CAN'T HEAR US
WE'LL MAKE HER PAY US BACK FOR THE "SEEHUND"

DID I GO OVER-BOARD?
SHIT... I CAN'T HEAR ANYTHING BECAUSE OF THE EXPLOSIONS
I'VE ALWAYS HAD THE BAD HABIT OF PUTTING FIREPOWER FIRST...
I SHOULD'VE MADE MORE SONOBUOYS
ENGINE, START
THEY'RE PROBABLY COMING AFTER ME


CAN I TURN BACK AND DIVE DOWN?
...MY ENGINE CAN ONLY PUT OUT 80% POWER, HUH
click
click


TO MY ADVANTAGE?
CAN I USE THE GEOG-RAPHY HERE

THAT WAS CLOSE...
I KNEW IT

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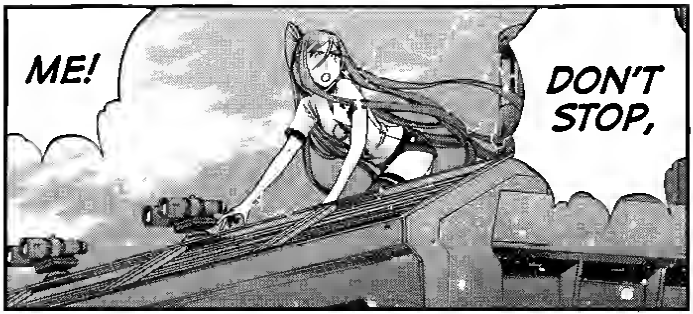
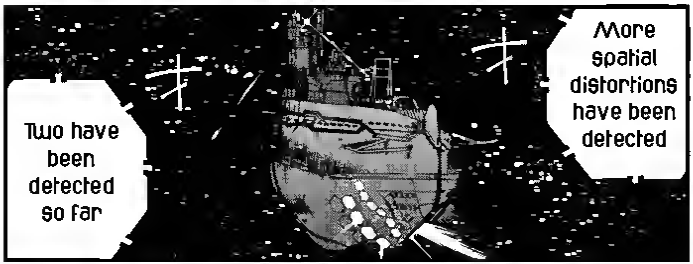
!!
I JUST FIXED THAT
GOOD GRIEF!

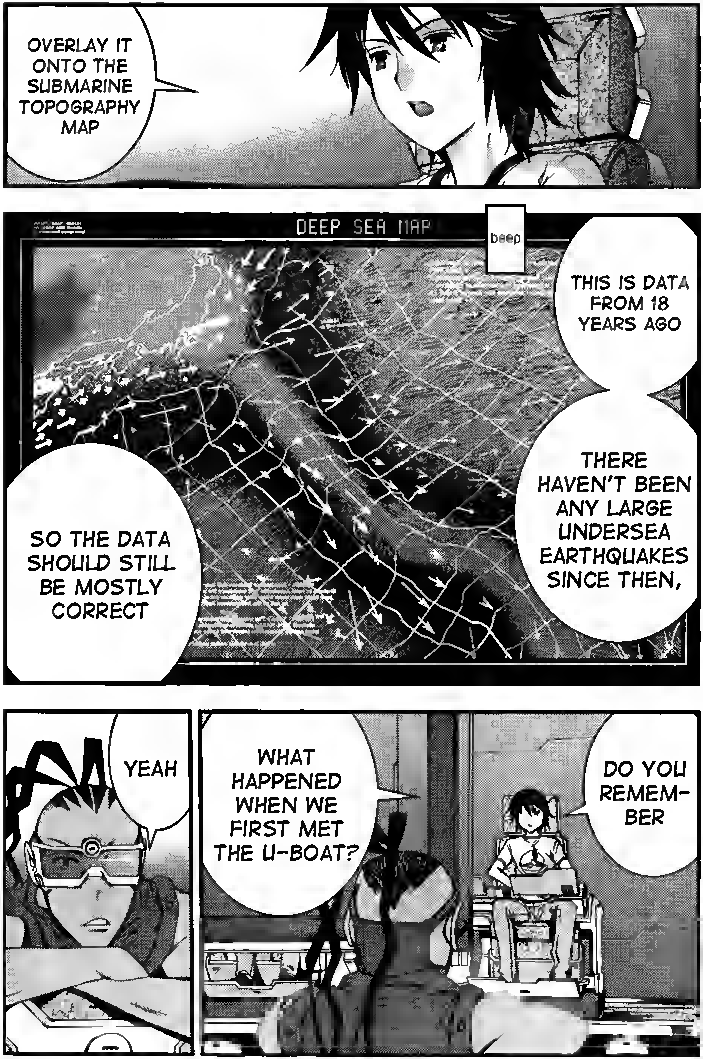

ME!
DON'T STOP,


Two have been detected so far
More spatial distortions have been detected

beep
beep
beep
NO, ONE MORE HAS BEEN DETECTED, SO THREE

BEEN HIT BY AT LEAST FOUR CORROSIVE TORPEDOES
I THINK BY NOW TAKAO MUST HAVE
STILL NOT GETTING ANYTHING ON THE JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK
HER KLEIN FIELD MUST BE AT ITS LIMIT
OUR PLAN WON'T WORK IF THEY FIND US
NO, IT'S FINE
SHOULD WE SPEED UP?
CAPTAIN

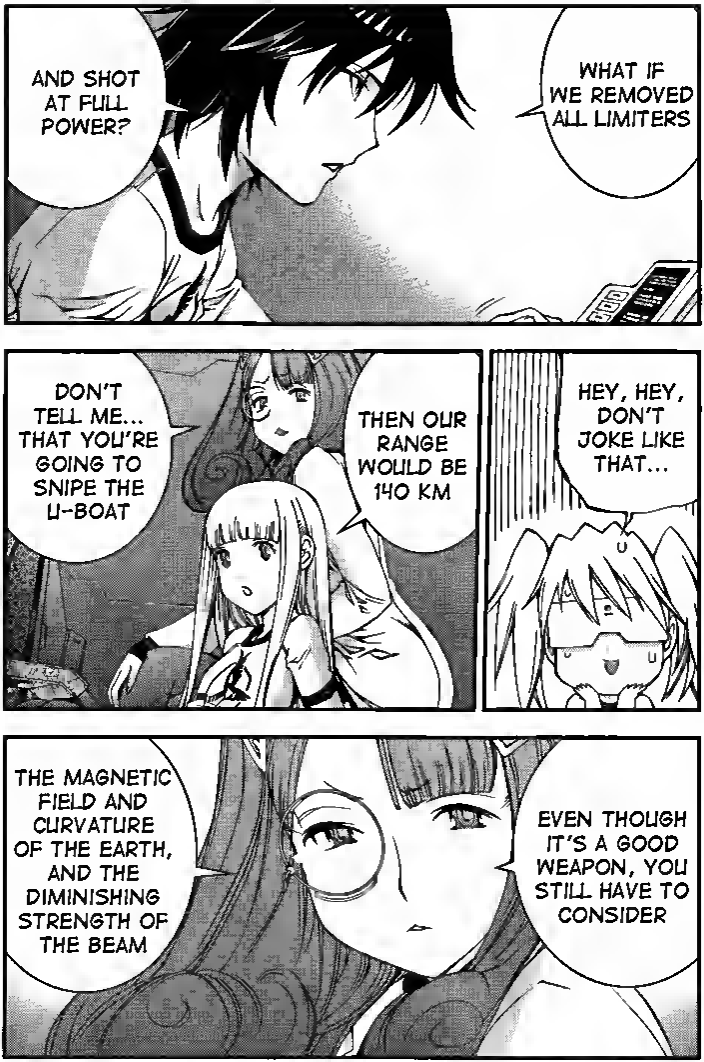
THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM
NO
BUT DO YOU THINK THAT TAKAO WILL HOLD OUT BY THE TIME WE GET THERE?
?
THIS IS AN ANALYSIS OF THE WATER TEMPERATURE DATA FROM WEATHER SATELLITES
AND THE ECHO DATA FROM OUR SONARS
UNDER-STOOD
THIS IS OUR BEST GUESS
PULL UP A CURRENT MAP OF WHERE TAKAO AND THE U-BOAT IS FIGHTING


OVERLAY IT ONTO THE SUBMARINE TOPOGRAPHY MAP
DEEP SEA MAP
beep
THIS IS DATA FROM 18 YEARS AGO
THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY LARGE UNDERSEA EARTHQUAKES SINCE THEN,
SO THE DATA SHOULD STILL BE MOSTLY CORRECT
YEAH
WHAT HAPPENED WHEN WE FIRST MET THE U-BOAT?
DO YOU REMEM-BER

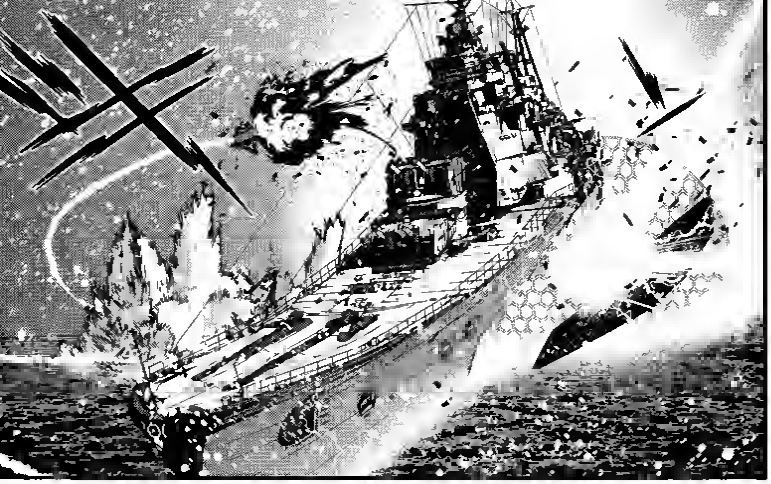
AND FIRED THE FIRST SHOT AT US, RIGHT?
THEY PREDICTED WHERE WE WOULD BE
THEY SHOT AT WHERE THEY THOUGHT WE WOULD BE
THAT'S RIGHT...
THEY DIDN'T FIND US
WHAT I, THE CAPTAIN, WOULD DO
IN OTHER WORDS,
THEY PREDICT WHAT WE...

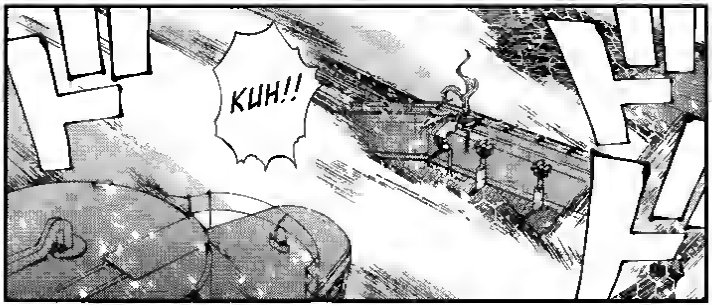
THIS MEANS THAT
AND GAVE THEM THAT U-BOAT
SOMEONE TAUGHT THEM HOW TO PREDICT WHAT I WOULD DO
U-2501
I SEE
WE CAN EXPLOIT THAT FACT
THEY BASE THEIR TACTICS OFF OF THAT
HM?
IONA
TO PREDICT WHAT THEY'LL DO

WHAT'S THE RANGE OF THE NEW SUPERHEAVY CANNON?
THEN, HOW FAR WILL IT GO WITH THE ENGINE AT FULL POWER?
HEY, HEY, NOT THAT AGAIN
If we put all of our energy into it, we can shoot a 1-meter beam with a 100-km range
SUPERHEAVY CANNONS HAVE NO RANGE
IT'S A GRAVITON WEAPON
IT'LL KEEP GOING AS LONG AS I PROVIDE IT ENERGY

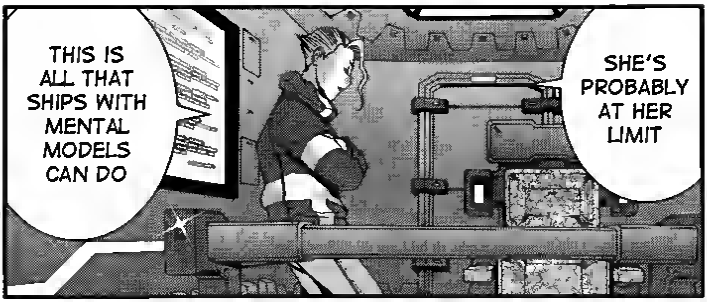

WHAT IF WE REMOVED ALL LIMITERS
AND SHOT AT FULL POWER?
HEY, HEY, DON'T JOKE LIKE THAT...
THEN OUR RANGE WOULD BE 140 KM
DON'T TELL ME... THAT YOU'RE GOING TO SNIPE THE U-BOAT
EVEN THOUGH IT'S A GOOD WEAPON, YOU STILL HAVE TO CONSIDER
THE MAGNETIC FIELD AND CURVATURE OF THE EARTH, AND THE DIMINISHING STRENGTH OF THE BEAM

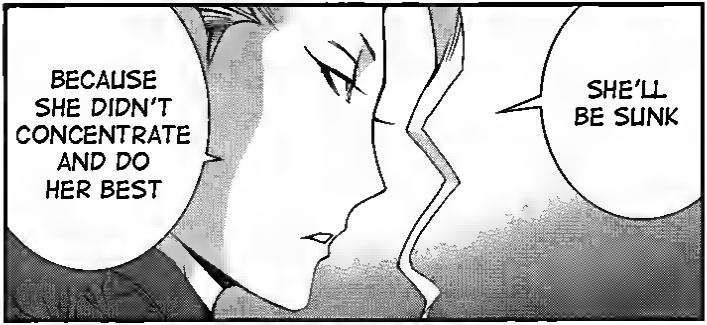
I HAVE AN IDEA
.....
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE TO SNIPE A MOVING TARGET
FROM THIS DISTANCE
U-2501
CAPTAIN!
IDEA...?
ANOTHER ONE... AND TAKAO'S ENGINE...

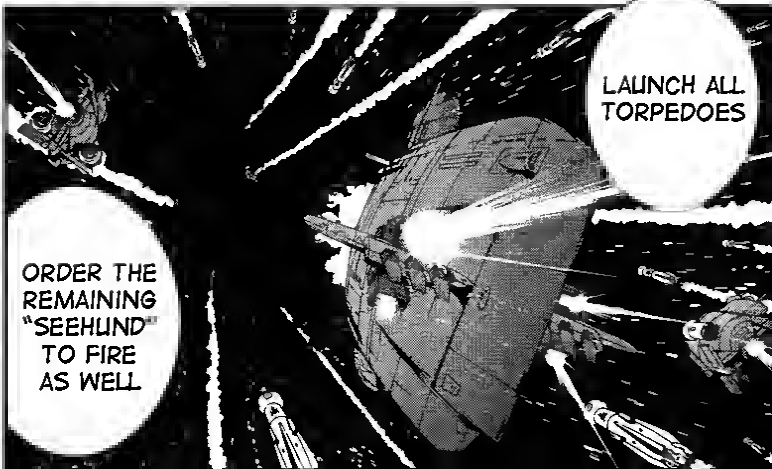



KUH!!

FIELD... LOST...
RECOVERY IS IMPOS-SIBLE...


THIS IS ALL THAT SHIPS WITH MENTAL MODELS CAN DO
SHE'S PROBABLY AT HER LIMIT


BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T CONCENTRATE AND DO HER BEST
SHE'LL BE SUNK


LAUNCH ALL TORPEDOES
ORDER THE REMAINING "SEEHUND" TO FIRE AS WELL

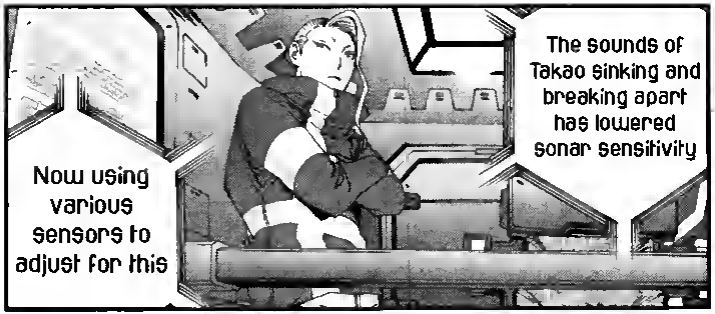
...SO THIS IS THE END ...FOR ME
ENGINE HAS BEEN HIT... POWER AT 34%
Sorry, captain
I couldn't complete the mission...
MENTAL MODEL
WELL...
DID I USE MY

IF ONLY I WAS ABLE TO
USE MY SUPERHEAVY CANNON
THEN,
I'LL LET YOU USE IT

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE UP TO,
BUT GIVE ME THE CONTROL CODES TO THE DUMMY
I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT FOR YOU
...402

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?
HURRY UP
YOUR HULL
ISN'T GONNA LAST FOR MUCH LONGER
An angel (or devil) descends upon Takao, who's at her limit...!?
蒼き鋼のアルペジオ㊙/完▶▶
次号(12月28日発売)につづく

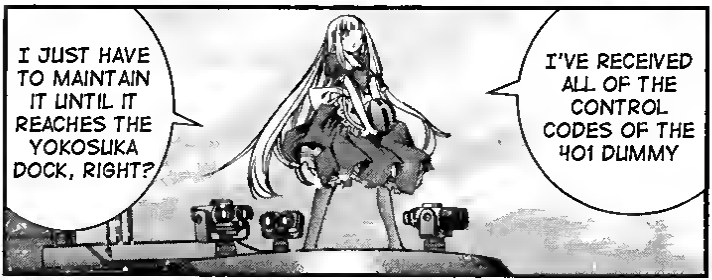
"Takao" is sinking
Detecting faint traces of gravitons
Depth:040
Ark Performance


The sounds of Takao sinking and breaking apart has lowered sonar sensitivity
Now using various sensors to adjust for this

WE'RE GOING TO DESTROY HER CORE
TIME TO FINISH HER OFF

The signals are coming from the Mental Model
DATA MATRIX
beep
beep
This is Takao's data matrix

DATA INPUT COMPLETE
AIM ALL TORPEDOES AT THE MENTAL MODEL

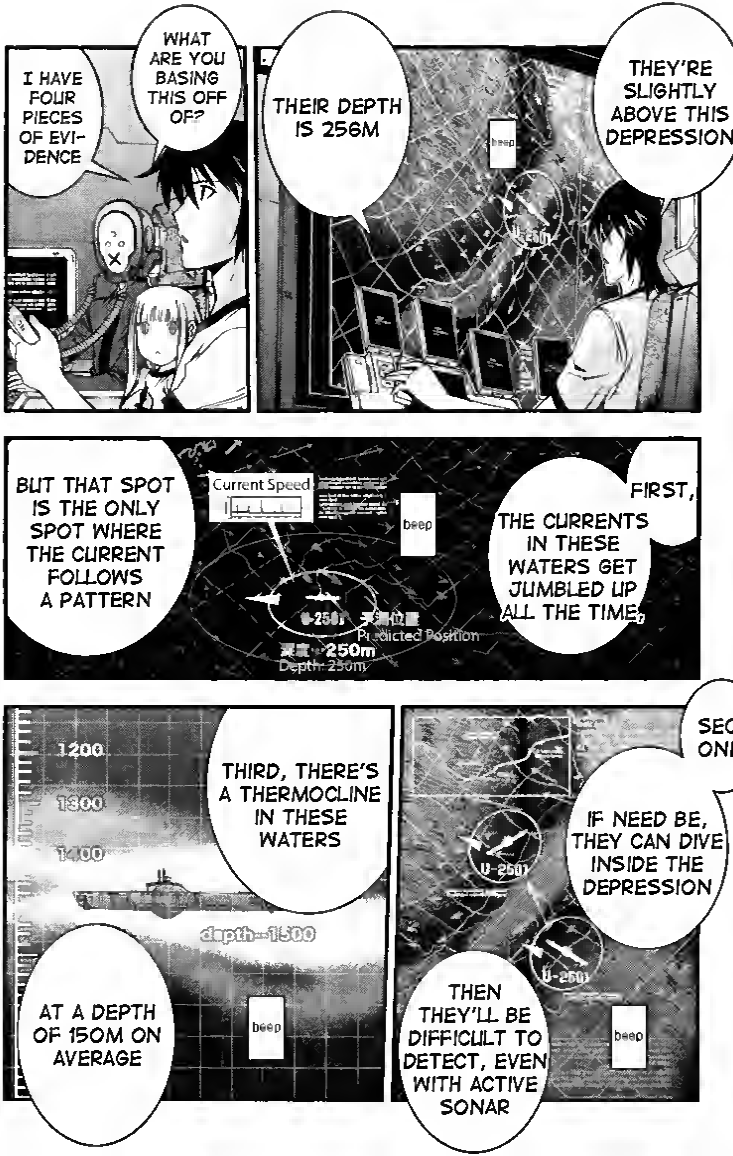

I JUST HAVE TO MAINTAIN IT UNTIL IT REACHES THE YOKOSUKA DOCK, RIGHT?
I'VE RECEIVED ALL OF THE CONTROL CODES OF THE 401 DUMMY

UNDERSTOOD... THEN I'LL SEE TO IT THAT THE DUMMY GETS TO THE UNDER-GROUND DOCKS
YEAH. MATCH THE CONTROLS OF THE CREW MEMBERS INSIDE

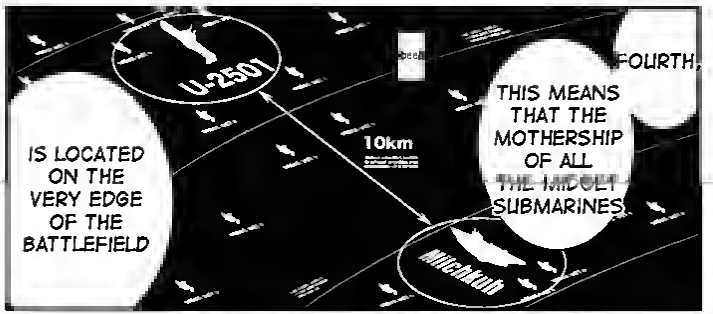
HERE IT COMES!

YOU SURE ARE A TOUGH ONE...
JEEZ...
IT'S OVER, HUH...
All torpedoes have detonated Takao is now breaking apart

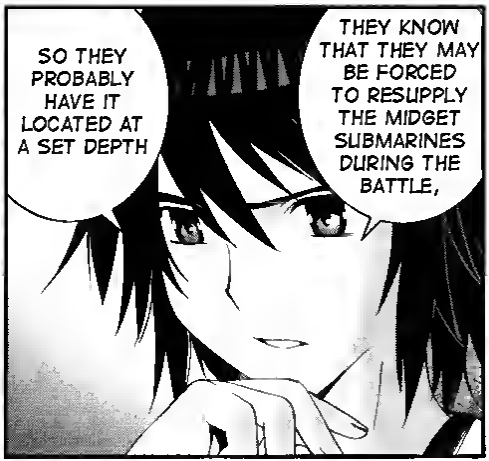
ORDER THE "SEEHUND" TO FORM A RING AROUND US
AYE AYE
OPERATION COMPLETE
HERE
YOU FOUND THEM?
OH
beep
beep
beep


I HAVE FOUR PIECES OF EVIDENCE
WHAT ARE YOU BASING THIS OFF OF?
THEIR DEPTH IS 256M
beep
U-250
THEY'RE SLIGHTLY ABOVE THIS DEPRESSION
BUT THAT SPOT IS THE ONLY SPOT WHERE THE CURRENT FOLLOWS A PATTERN
Current Speed
beep
U-250
Predicted Position
Depth: 250m
FIRST,
THE CURRENTS IN THESE WATERS GET JUMBLED UP ALL THE TIME
1200
1300
1400
THIRD, THERE'S A THERMOCLINE IN THESE WATERS
depth--1500
AT A DEPTH OF 150M ON AVERAGE
beep
U-250
U-250
SECOND,
IF NEED BE, THEY CAN DIVE INSIDE THE DEPRESSION
THEN THEY'LL BE DIFFICULT TO DETECT, EVEN WITH ACTIVE SONAR
beep

IF THEY DON'T WANT SOMEONE TO DETECT THEM BY CHANCE,
THEY'D WANT TO BE AS DEEP AS POSSIBLE

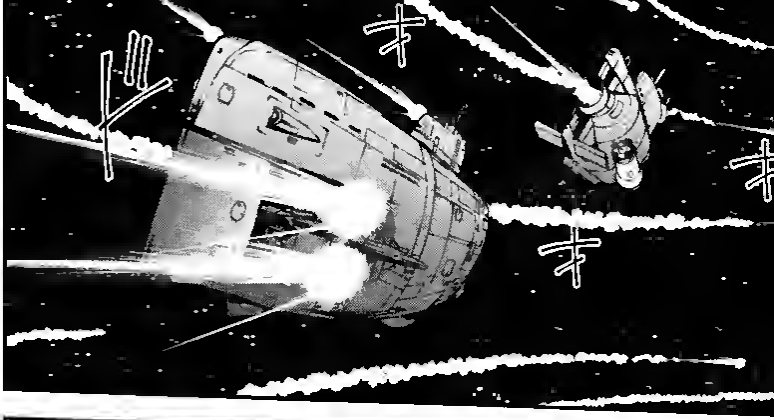

U-2501
10km
Mitchkab
FOURTH,
THIS MEANS THAT THE MOTHERSHIP OF ALL THE MIDGET SUBMARINES
IS LOCATED ON THE VERY EDGE OF THE BATTLEFIELD

I SEE...
...SO YOU'RE AIMING FOR

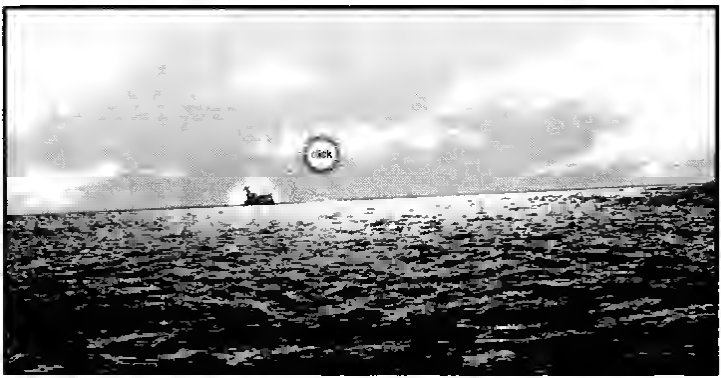

THEY KNOW THAT THEY MAY BE FORCED TO RESUPPLY THE MIDGET SUBMARINES DURING THE BATTLE,
SO THEY PROBABLY HAVE IT LOCATED AT A SET DEPTH

THE RESUPPLY VESSEL
"MILCHKUH"
ALSO, CAPTAIN ZORDAN DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT OUR NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNONS
EXACTLY. SHE CAN'T BE MOVED DURING THE BATTLE
HE WOULDN'T EXPECT THAT THE RESUPPLY VESSEL COULD GET SNIPED FROM FAR AWAY

IF HE'S BEEN TAUGHT TO THINK THE SAME WAY AS ME,
THEN HE'D PRIORITIZE EFFICIENCY WHEN PLACING THE RESUPPLY VESSEL
DETECT-ING A HUGE SPATIAL SHOCK-WAVE
IT WAS MADE BY CORROSIVE TORPE-DOES
LET'S GO!
AYE AYE



WE TOOK MORE DAMAGE THAN I EXPECTED
...LOOKS LIKE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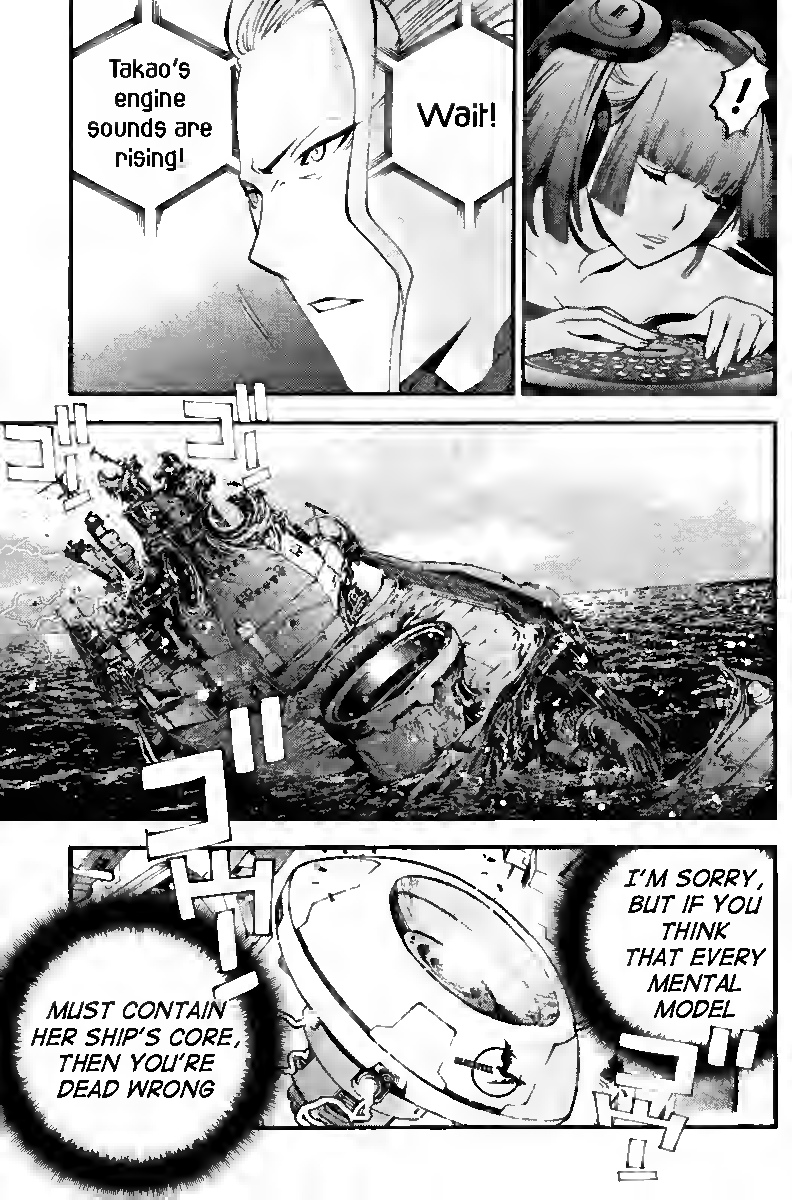
Takao's engine sounds are rising!
Wait!
!
I'M SORRY, BUT IF YOU THINK THAT EVERY MENTAL MODEL
MUST CONTAIN HER SHIP'S CORE, THEN YOU'RE DEAD WRONG

YOU MAY HAVE ANALYZED MY DATA MATRIX,
BUT EVEN THAT'S EASY ENOUGH TO FAKE WITH MY LEVEL OF EXPERIENCE

EVASIVE ACTION! FULL SPEED AHEAD!
MAXI-MUM DOWN-TRIM!
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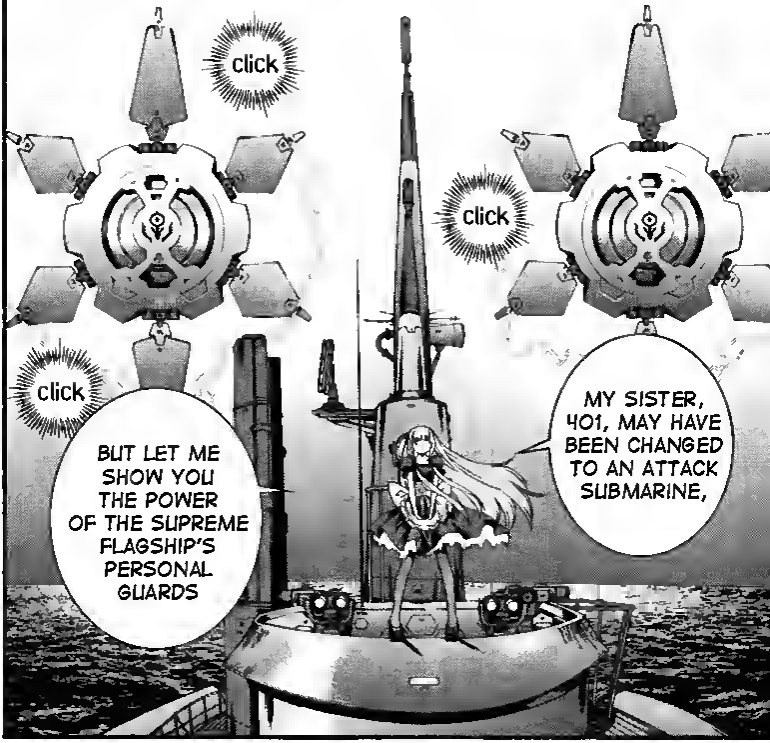
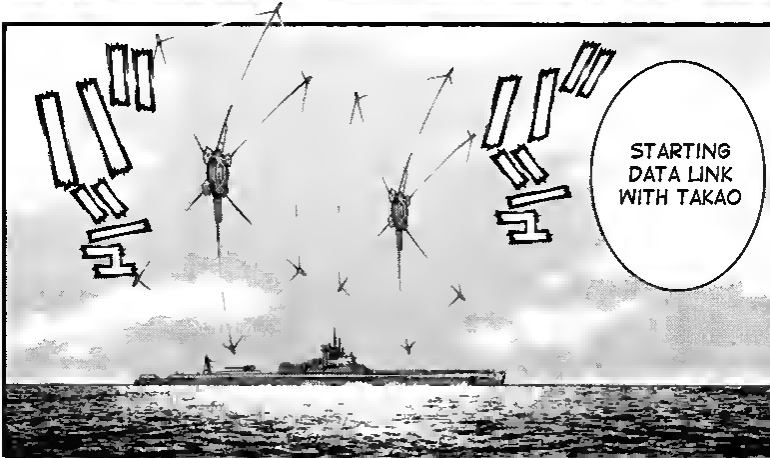
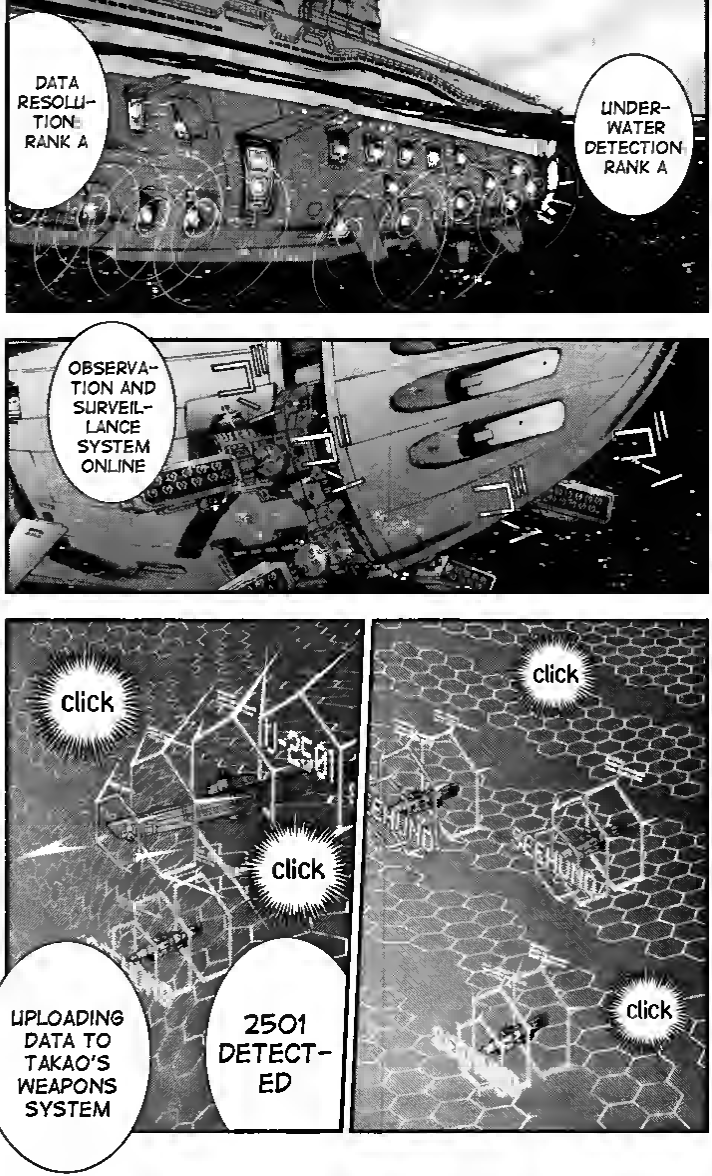
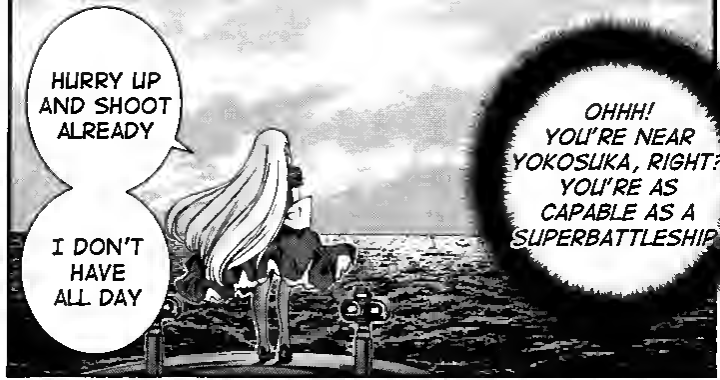
WHERE'S 2501?
SINCE I'M REPAIRING MY ENERGY SYSTEMS, I CAN'T REPAIR MY SENSORS
OH... OOPS
YOU'RE SUCH A PAIN, YOU KNOW THAT..

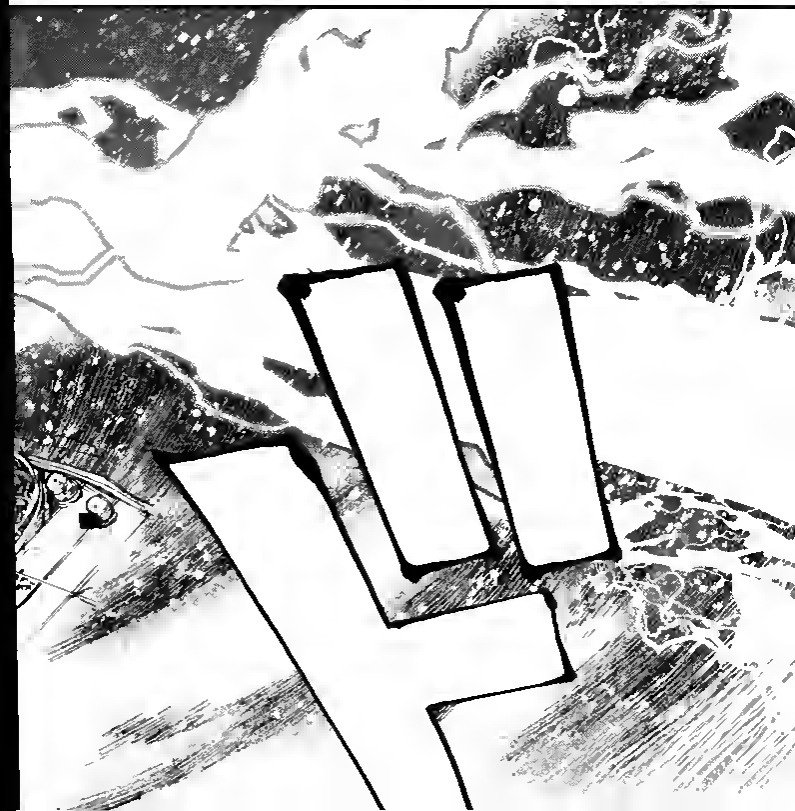

click
click
click
MY SISTER, 401, MAY HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO AN ATTACK SUBMARINE,
BUT LET ME SHOW YOU THE POWER OF THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP'S PERSONAL GUARDS


STARTING DATA LINK WITH TAKAO


DATA RESOLUTION: RANK A
UNDER-WATER DETECTION RANK A
OBSERVATION AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM ONLINE
click
2501
click
click
BEHIND!
BEHIND!
click
UPLOADING DATA TO TAKAO'S WEAPONS SYSTEM
2501 DETECTED

TIME FOR YOU TO SINK!
ALL RIGHT!


HURRY UP AND SHOOT ALREADY
I DON'T HAVE ALL DAY
OHHH! YOU'RE NEAR YOKOSUKA, RIGHT? YOU'RE AS CAPABLE AS A SUPERBATTLESHIP!



WHAT'S ...THAT!?
!!
click
THIS IS...
click

THE MIRROR-RING SYSTEM...

YOU'RE MAKING ME HATE MYSELF
HEAVY CRUISER TAKAO... YOU'VE FAR EXCEED MY EXPECTATIONS
I DIDN'T THINK... THAT I WOULD BE FORCE TO SHOW SO MUCH
THIS IS BAD, TAKAO! ABANDON SHIP WITH YOU CORE!
WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT!?
I'LL PICK YOU UP AFTERWARD! QUICK, JUMP!

HE'S CAPTURED THE ENERGY OF YOUR CANNON AND IS ABOUT TO RELEASE IT IN A DIFFERENT DIMENSION
YOU'LL BE HELPLESS AGAINST THE SHOCK-WAVE!

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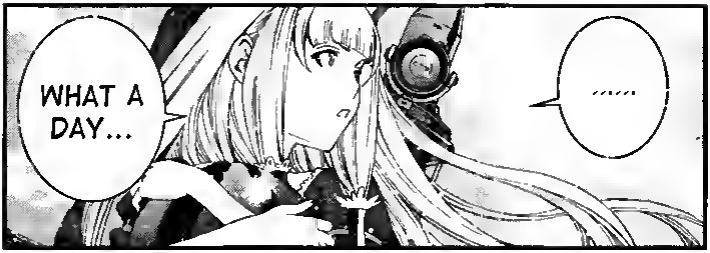
YOU NEED TO COMPLETELY SUSPEND YOUR CORE OR ELSE HE'LL FIND YOU!
WHY ARE YOU HOLDING ON TO YOUR MENTAL MODEL!?

BUT THIS...
THIS IS...

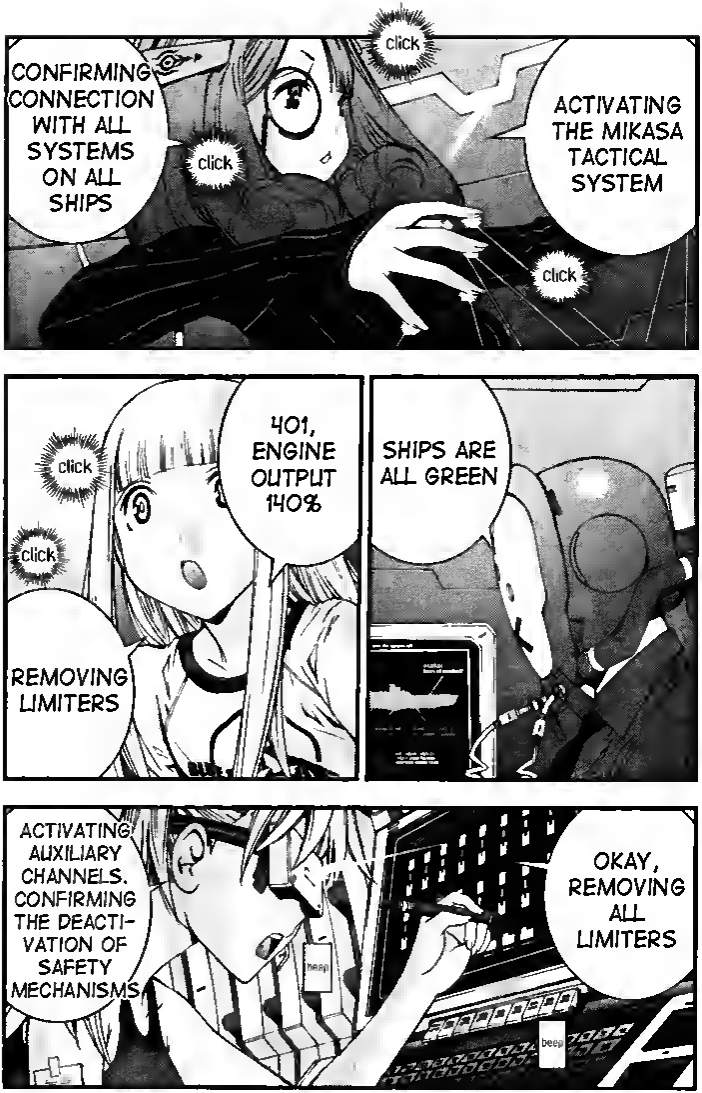
MY...
STEEL

WE'RE GONNA NEED AN OVERHAUL WHEN WE GET BACK HOME
THE MIRROR-RING SYSTEM IS DOWN
I KNOW
.....
Detecting a huge graviton wave!
Th- This is massive!
ROMUALD! SHOOT EVERYTHING WE HAVE AT THE MENTAL MODEL!
Detecting Takao's data matrix again. We have the Mental Model's position
DATA INPUT COMPLETE


WHAT A DAY...
.....

I FEEL SORRY FOR THE EARTH

THE SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS ARE UNDER MY CONTROL
click
MOVING THEM INTO POSITION
click
click
MOVE THE NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNONS INTO POSITION!
STEEL
click
click
CONNECTING TO THE SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS
ACTIVATING SHIPS


click
CONFIRMING CONNECTION WITH ALL SYSTEMS ON ALL SHIPS
click
ACTIVATING THE MIKASA TACTICAL SYSTEM
click
click
401, ENGINE OUTPUT 140%
click
REMOVING LIMITERS
SHIPS ARE ALL GREEN
ACTIVATING AUXILIARY CHANNELS. CONFIRMING THE DEACTIVATION OF SAFETY MECHANISMS
beep
OKAY, REMOVING ALL LIMITERS
beep

401 AUXILIARY SUPER GRAVITON CANNON SHIPS
BLUE STEEL
♣ Takao risked her life to create a chance for victory. Now, the new power of Blue Steel will be put into use!!
SGCS-01 ITSUKUSHIMA AND SGCS-02 HASHIDATE, GO!
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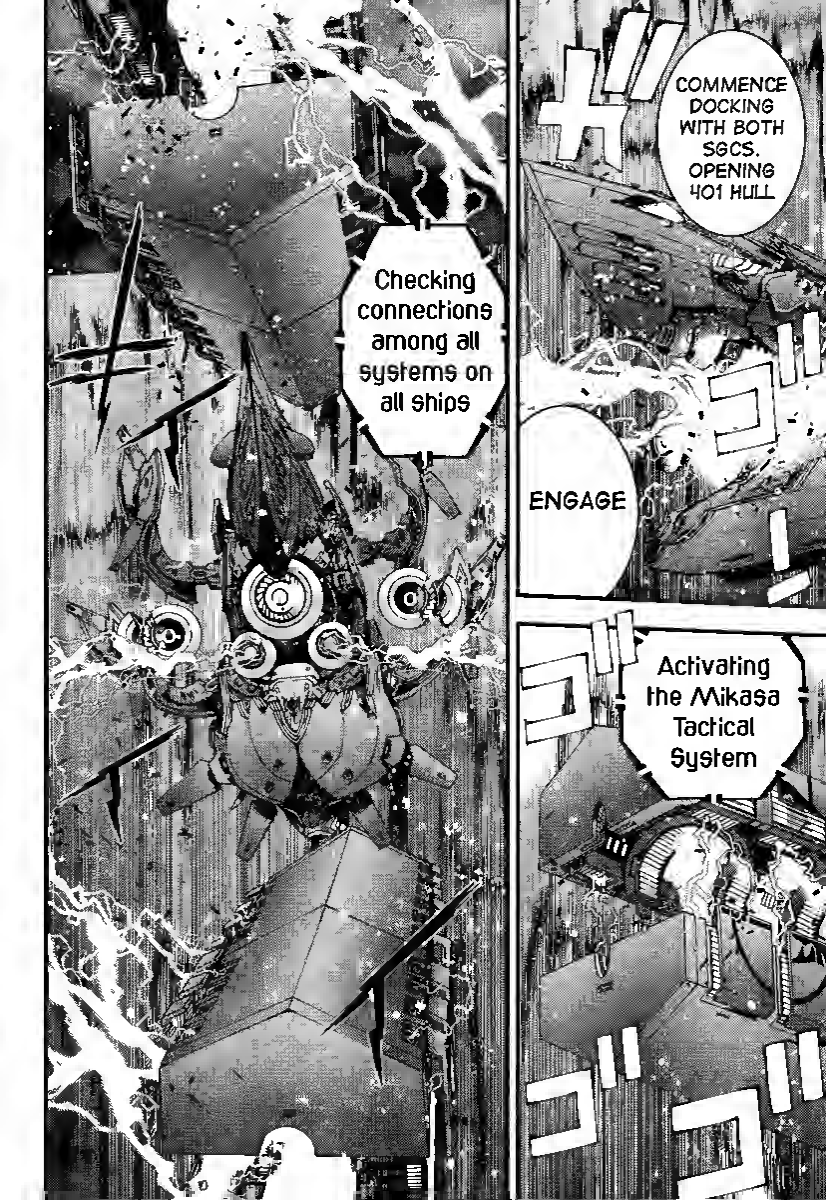
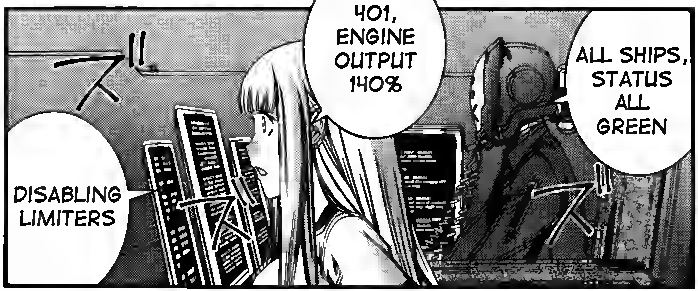
IF SHE DIES, THEN I'D KNOW RIGHT AWAY
SHE HAS SET ME AS HER FLAGSHIP
HEAVY CRUISER TAKAO'S CORE IS STILL OKAY, RIGHT?
TAKAO'S CORE IS STILL SAFE
Ark Performance

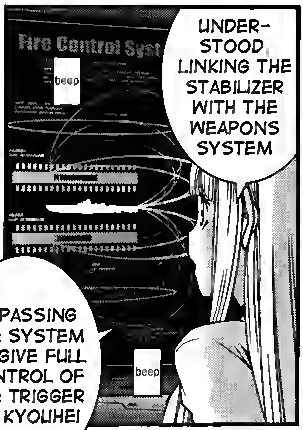
MOVE THE NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNONS INTO POSITION!
ALRIGHT!

Moving them into position
The Super Graviton Cannon Ships are under my control
BLUE STEEL
蒼き鋼のアルペジオ
ARPEGGIO OF BLUE STEEL
Depth:041


Checking connections among all systems on all ships
COMMENCE DOCKING WITH BOTH SGCS. OPENING 401 HULL
ENGAGE
Activating the Mikasa Tactical System


401, ENGINE OUTPUT 140%
ALL SHIPS, STATUS ALL GREEN
DISABLING LIMITERS

ACTIVATING AUXILIARY CHANNELS
AYE AYE, ALL LIMITERS DISABLED
CHECKING THE DEACTIVATION OF SAFETY MECHANISMS


Fire Control Syst
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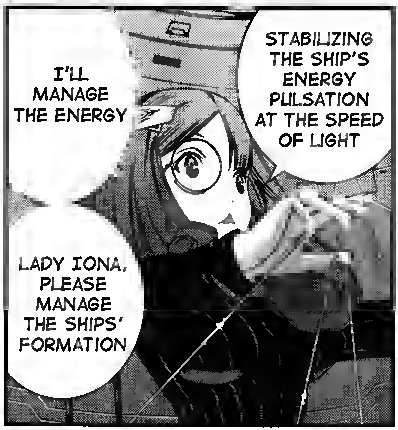
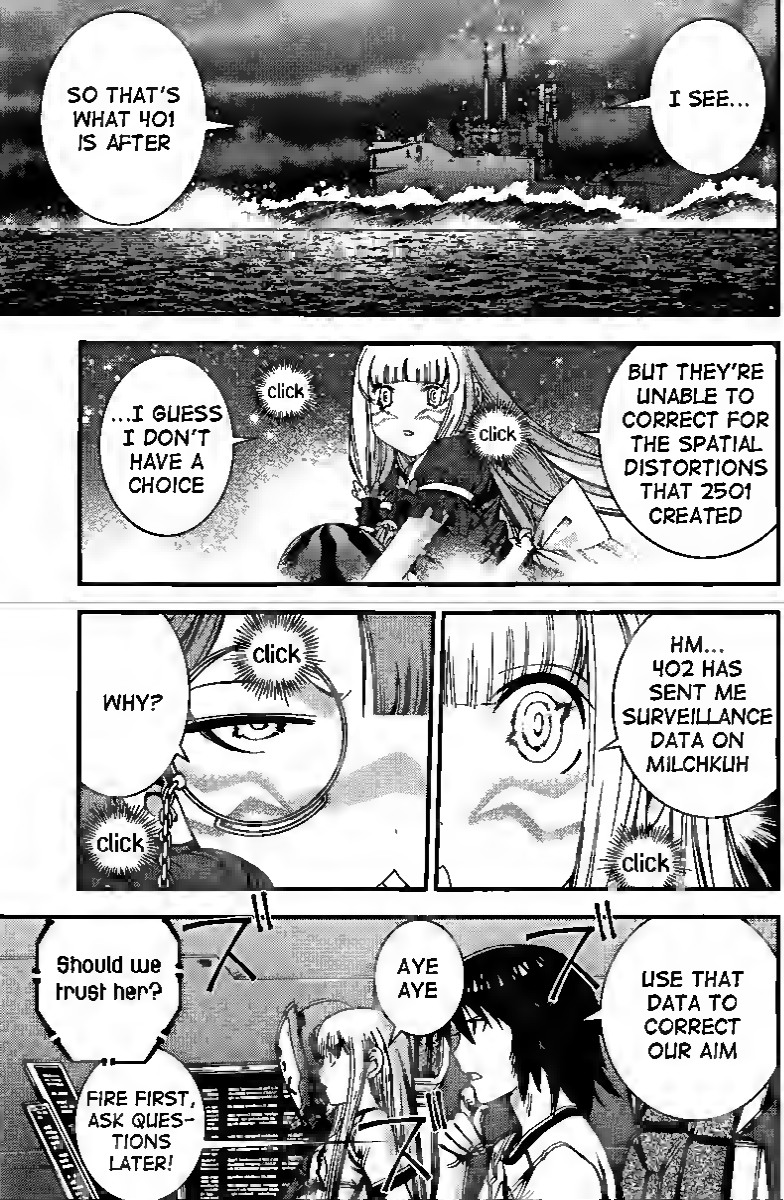
UNDER-STOOD. LINKING THE STABILIZER WITH THE WEAPONS SYSTEM
BYPASSING THE SYSTEM TO GIVE FULL CONTROL OF THE TRIGGER TO KYOUHEI


I'LL MANAGE THE ENERGY
STABILIZING THE SHIP'S ENERGY PULSATION AT THE SPEED OF LIGHT
LADY IONA, PLEASE MANAGE THE SHIPS' FORMATION

SHIT, THAT'S FAST!
I'VE NEVER SEEN A SHOCK WAVE LIKE THIS BEFORE! 46 SECONDS!
CAPTAIN! INCOMING SPATIAL SHOCK WAVE!
!!
ALL AUXILIARY SHIPS ARE ON STANDBY
WE SHOULD ABORT AND USE THE ENERGY TO FORM A KLEIN FIELD!
SHOCK WAVE?
HAVE THEM DODGE THE SHOCK WAVE!
ORDER ALL OF THE OTHER AUXILIARY SHIPS TO DIVE DOWN AS DEEP AS POSSIBLE!
JUST CORRECT OUR AIM! -0.46 PITCH! -0.4 BEARING!
DON'T MIND THE SHOCK WAVE!


SO THAT'S WHAT 401 IS AFTER
I SEE...
click
click
...I GUESS I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE
BUT THEY'RE UNABLE TO CORRECT FOR THE SPATIAL DISTORTIONS THAT 2501 CREATED
click
WHY?
click
HM... 402 HAS SENT ME SURVEILLANCE DATA ON MILCHKUH
click
Should we trust her?
FIRE FIRST, ASK QUES-TIONS LATER!
AYE AYE
USE THAT DATA TO CORRECT OUR AIM

ENTERING FIRING MODE!
AYE AYE!
SHOOT THROUGH THE SHOCK WAVE!
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THE SHOCK WAVE IS COMING!
FIRE THE NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNON!

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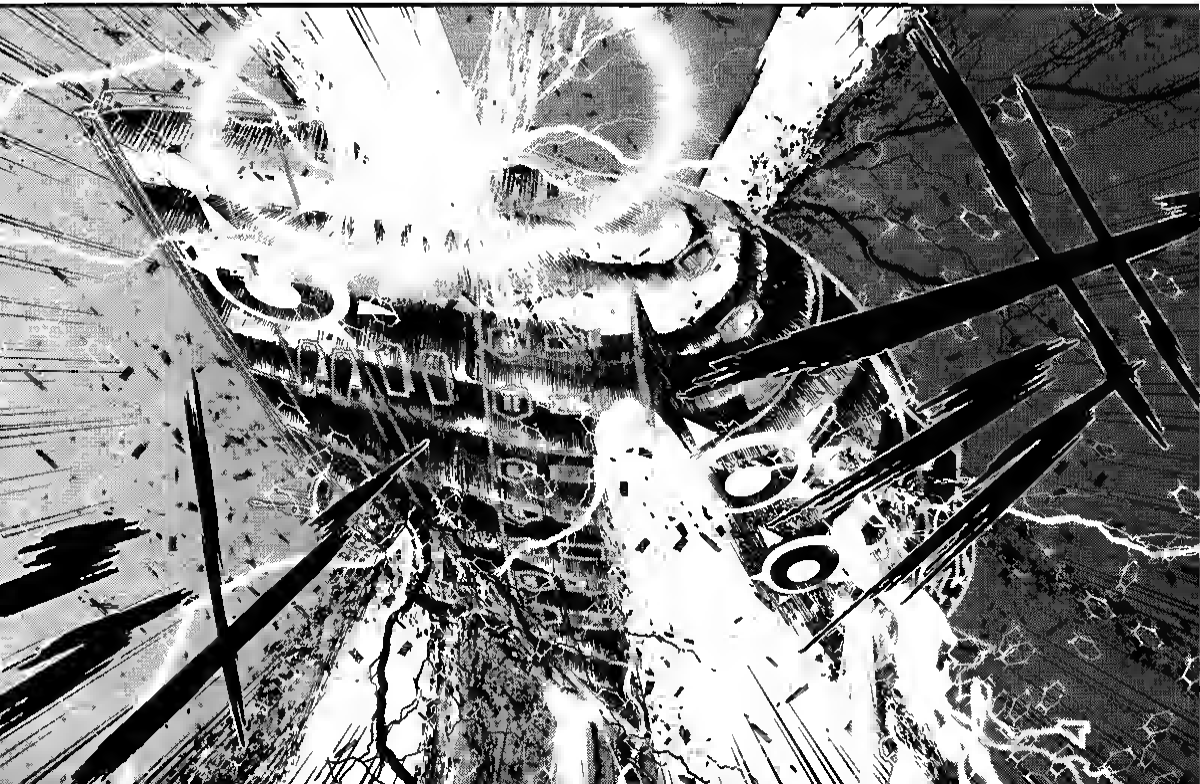
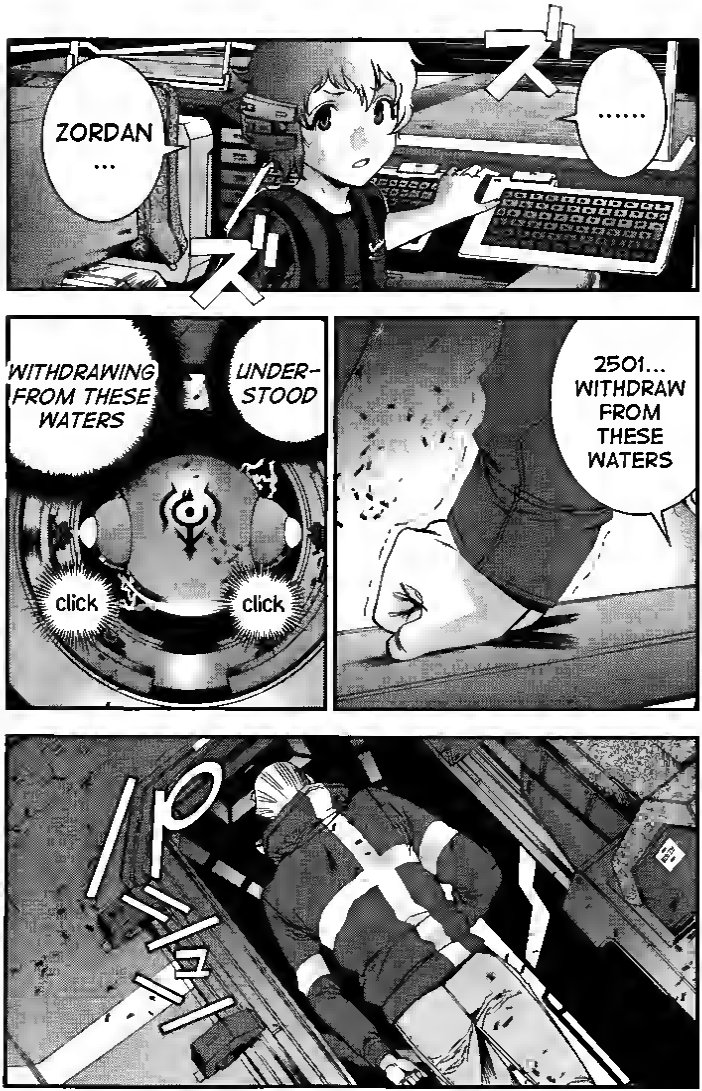
MILCH-KUH!
It's not aimed at this ship
A SUPER GRAVI-TON CAN-NON?!
THE OCEAN ...IS PART-ING...
ZOR-DAN...



WH-... WHAT IS THIS...
Lost all signals from Milchkuh
THERE SHOULDN'T BE A SHIP IN THE VICINITY
THAT HAS A SUPER GRAVITON CANNON ON THAT SCALE
SONAR IS COMPLETELY INEFFECTUAL AT THE MOMENT
AND SINCE WE USED THE MIRROR-RING SYSTEM,
the accuracy of all other sensors are extremely low as well


ZORDAN
...
.....
WITHDRAWING FROM THESE WATERS
UNDER-STOOD
click
click
2501... WITHDRAW FROM THESE WATERS
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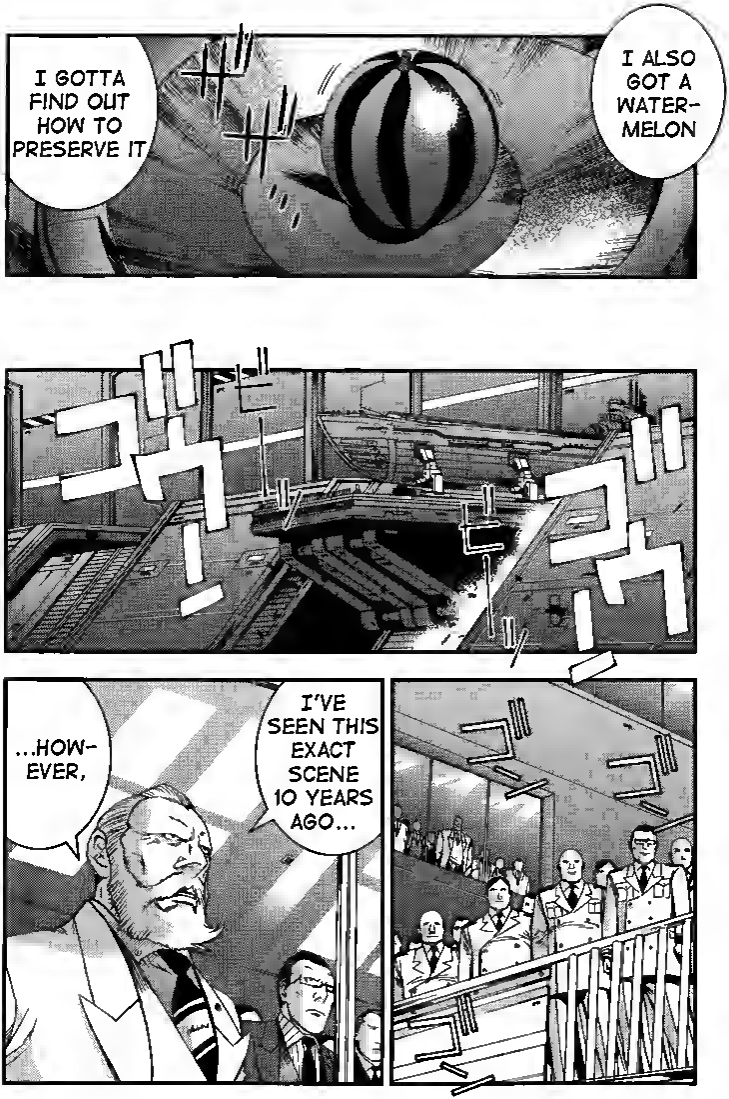
SO IT'S FINALLY OVER
NOW THEN, I CAPTURED ALL OF THE DATA THAT I COULD...
BUT I STILL HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE DUMMY GETS TO PORT
400, THIS IS 402, OVER
click
click

I'LL BE UPLOADING MY POSITION ONTO THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP FLEET NETWORK IN REAL TIME
THIS IS 400, OVER
I'D LIKE YOU TO CHECK AND MATCH MY MOVEMENTS
I GOT SIDE-TRACKED FROM MY ERRANDS
THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP IS RIGHT
UNDER-STOOD. WE SURE GOT TO SEE SOMETHING INTERESTING, HUH
WE SHOULD ADAPT OURSELVES TO THE SITUATION
ONLY YAMATO-CLASS BATTLE-SHIPS SHOULD HAVE THE "MIRROR-RING SYSTEM"
I'VE NEVER SEEN IT IN ACTION BEFORE

IS SMALLER BY SEVERAL MAGNI-TUDES...
THE ONE THAT 2501 HAS
I THINK WE SHOULD TRY ADAPTING OURSELVES TO THE SITUATION TOO
...BUT IT MADE ME FEEL "FEAR" FOR THE FIRST TIME
SHE'S FOL-LOWING A HELICOPTER FROM THE NORTH WHILE SUBMERGED
MAYA ISN'T DOING ANYTHING PECULIAR
IF SHE DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING, THEN WE MUST BE DOING FINE, RIGHT?
THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP IS ALWAYS MONITORING US
YEAH... THAT'S RIGHT

WOULDN'T WANT TO LET THE PUBLIC SEE A SHIP OF FOG ENTERING THEIR PORTS
SUB-MERGED ..? OH, I SEE
THE AUTHORITIES OF THE NORTHERN REGION
WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO KNOW THIS IF WE DON'T HAVE MENTAL MODELS
A LOT OF HUMANS UP THERE HATE US
YEAH
FROM SUBMERGED HUMAN CITIES AFTER I WAS DONE WITH MY ERRANDS...
...GOOD GRIEF...
AND TO THINK THAT I WAS PLANNING TO SALVAGE VARIOUS THINGS
LET'S
WELL THEN, LET'S BOTH ADAPT TO THE SITUATION


I GOTTA FIND OUT HOW TO PRESERVE IT
I ALSO GOT A WATER-MELON
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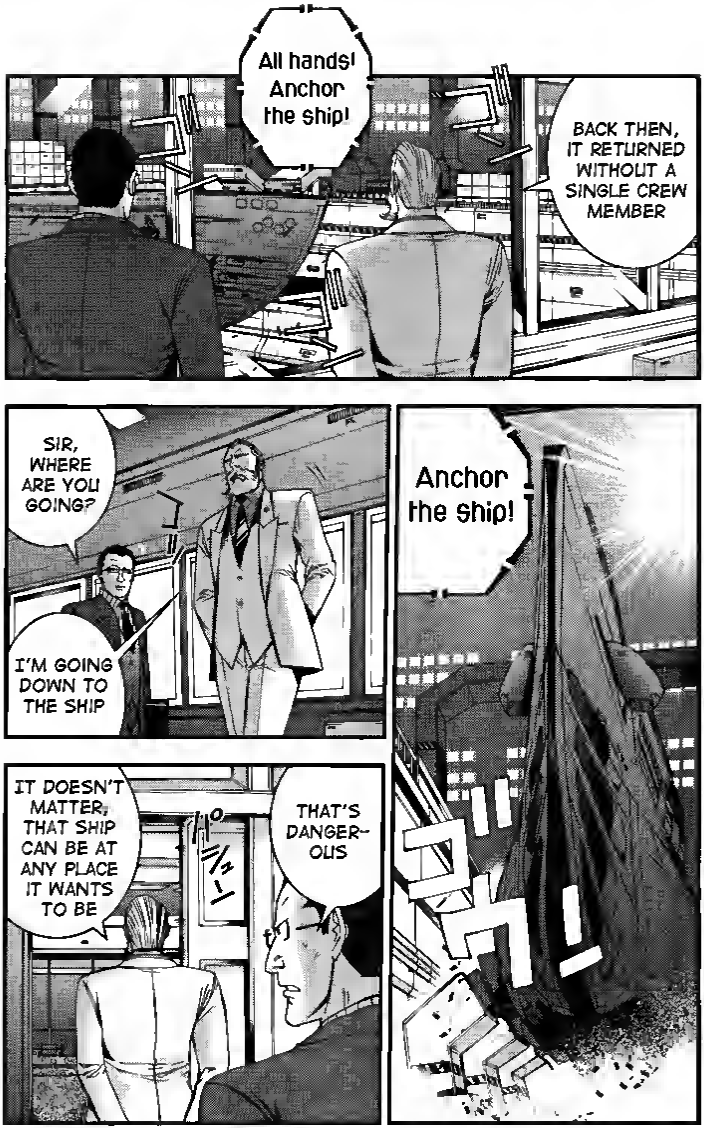
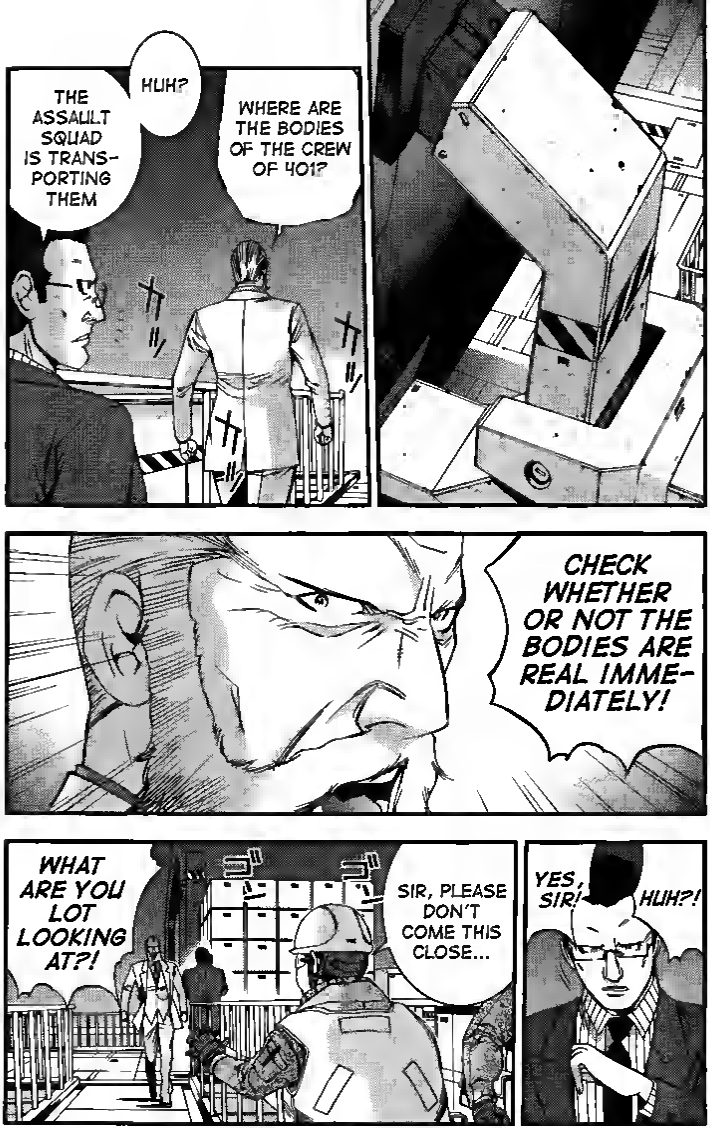
...HOW-EVER,
I'VE SEEN THIS EXACT SCENE 10 YEARS AGO...


All hands! Anchor the ship!
BACK THEN, IT RETURNED WITHOUT A SINGLE CREW MEMBER
SIR, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
I'M GOING DOWN TO THE SHIP
Anchor the ship!
IT DOESN'T MATTER, THAT SHIP CAN BE AT ANY PLACE IT WANTS TO BE
THAT'S DANGER-OUS

Inspection team, stay on standby
Team 1 and 4, proceed inside the ship.


HUH?
THE ASSAULT SQUAD IS TRANS-PORTING THEM
WHERE ARE THE BODIES OF THE CREW OF 401?
CHECK WHETHER OR NOT THE BODIES ARE REAL IMME-DIATELY!
WHAT ARE YOU LOT LOOKING AT?!
SIR, PLEASE DON'T COME THIS CLOSE...
YES, SIR!
HUH?!

?
LOOK AT THE ANGLES OF THE ARMS!
WHAT ...?
Y-YES, SIR...
MEASURE THE WEIGHT ON THOSE ARMS RIGHT THIS INSTANT, YOU AMATEURS!
YES...
THERE'S ONLY SILVER SAND IN THEIR PLACE...
S-... SIR...
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS...
ARE THE BODIES... GONE?

MAYBE I SHOULD'VE BEEN THERE MYSELF...
...THIS MEANS THAT WE'VE BEEN HAD...
.....
NO
THINGS WOULD'VE ENDED UP
MUCH THE SAME IN THE END

TSUNDERE HEAVY CRUISER
THE JIG IS UP.
FALL BACK!
SHE'S CRUMBLING! ALL HANDS FALL BACK! FALL BACK!
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ドドド

SIR! IT'S DANGEROUS TO STAY HERE ANY LONGER!
HEHEHEH...
HEHEH...
SIR...
HOW WILL YOU REPAY ME?
CHIHAYA... YOUR SON HAS TRICKED ME...

ALLOW ME TO CONCEDE
THAT A NEW ERA HAS ARRIVED!
RIGHT AWAY, SIR!
BRING THE CAR AROUND! I'M GOING TO THE PRIME MINISTER!

NOW THEN,
IT'S A GOOD THING THAT I PICKED YOU UP,

♣ The end of one battle, and the beginning of the next one...

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MANDATE FROM THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP!?

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(This was unintentionally left out of the chapter 40 release. Sorry! -- Translator)

402: ...
400: ...
Yamato: ...
402: ...Ah! We're back! It's time! It's time, O Supreme Flagship!
Yamato: Huh? O-Oh my. When did this happen?
400: I'll put the tea and snacks away.
402: I thought that this corner was canceled.
Yamato: It's been a while.
402: It's been two months, huh. We kidna-...I mean, brought one of our "gods" here to do what again? Make an ad for our new wallet so we can take a break?
Yamato: Wallet?
402: Yep. Here.
Yamato: There's a boarding pass for 401 printed on here...
402: Well, it's a replica of one of Gunzou Chihaya's belongings.
Yamato: Is it made out of nanomaterials?
402: No, no way. It's made out of leather. It's even Made in Japan.
Yamato: But it says "NANO MATERIAL" on the side...
402: Oh, it's the logo that we had our god design. Did it slip your mind? You starting a company and wanted us to think up of a name and logo, right?
Yamato: Oh yes, that's right. So this is the logo, huh.
402: Yes. Well, the word "nanomaterial" does seem to represent us.
400: But this wallet has nothing to do with our project, right?
402: One night... I was at the design PC...
400: You hacked into it?
402: I made it by copy-and-pasting things I found from the Internet.
400: You made it by hand?
402: I knew about the surveillance cameras, so I wore a ski mask.
Yamato: So this is what they mean by the beauty of tradition.
400: ...
402: ...

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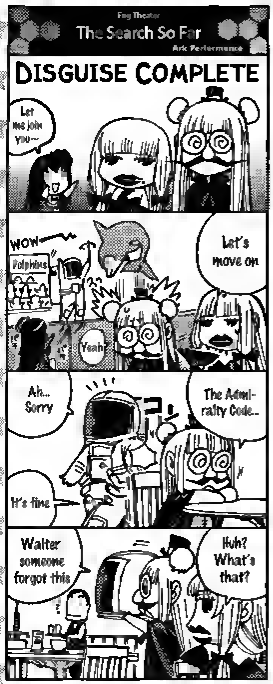

それで、"コーポレートマークまで作りましたが、何をやりましょうかねえ。総旗艦様

そうですねえ。何か、こう我々の存在を世の中にアピールするようなことをやりたいですね。ニコニコ

存在をアピールですか？

そうだ、他の艦隊の皆さんにもアンケートを採りましょう。自分だったら、何が欲しいのかをアンケート。ニコニコ

え――いや、それは――

皆さんも巻き込んだ方がもっと楽しいですよ、きっと。ニコニコ

わかりました――採れました

早いですね

そりゃ、もう艦娘通信網ですから

ら。それに、情報収集艦ですし

嬉しい限りですよ、で、どうなりましたか？

えーと――返信順です

コンゴウ様「もっと艦をよこせ。総隊増強」

ヒエイ「もっと総律正しく」

キリシマ「艦体が欲しい。早く装艦になりたい」

ハルナ「巻き取り機」

ナガト様「もっと、もっと桜を咲い巻らせるのよ」

ムサシ様「武器弾薬」

マヤ「そろそろピアニカが欲しい」

タカオ「そんなのもう群像サマに決まってんでしょ」

ヒュウガ「そんなのもうイオナ姉サマにきまってんしょ。ウフ――うわっ！ちょ、タカオ何すっくぁwせdrftgyふじこlp」

ビスマルク「喋いから早くこっちにカメラ振れ」

アメリカ艦「何でも様いから早くメンタルモデルのデザインよこせよ」

ヨーロッパ艦「同右」

ヤマト――え？　ヤ・ヤマト「中の人」出番」

ニコニコ

いや、あの、そのですね――

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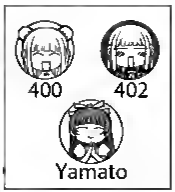
そ、総旗艦様――

あんたたち、お茶のお代わいる？



402: Well, now that we have our logo, what should we do? O Supreme Flagship.

Yamato: Let's see. Let's do something that will make our company seem appealing. *smile smile*

402: Make our company seem appealing?

Yamato: Yes. Let's have all ships fill out a survey to see what everyone wants from this company. *smile smile*

402: Huh? ...No, I don't think that that's...

Yamato: The more the merrier. I'm sure of this. *smile smile*

402: Understood... I got the results.

Yamato: That was fast.

402: Well, we *do* have a quantum communication network, and I *am* a spy submarine.

Yamato: You sure are reliable. So, what did they say?

402: Umm... I'll read them in the order they came in:

Kongou: **Give me more ships. I need to strengthen my fleet.**
Hiei: **More discipline.**
Kirishima: **A hull. I want to be a battleship again.**
Haruna: **A practice book for writing kanji.**
Lady Nagato: **Make the cherry blossoms dance in the air more, more!**
Lady Musashi: **Weapons and ammunition.**
Maya: **It's about time for me to get a pianika.**
Takao: **The Great Gunzou, duh.**
Hyuuga: **Lady Iona, duh, teehee...Uwah! What are you doing, Taka-hifyf934y9asdf**
Bismarck: **Whatever, just give me more screen time already.**
American fleet: **Whatever, just give us our Mental Model designs already.**
European fleet: **Same as above.**
Yamato...Huh?...Y-Yamato: **A crew. More screen time.**

Yamato: *smile smile*

402: Umm, uhh, about that...

Yamato: *smile smile*

402: O-O Supreme Flagship...

400: Do you two want another cup of tea?

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There is a dimensional wall 3-4-4 at this depth
7 degrees to starboard. Keep the course and depth
Aye aye
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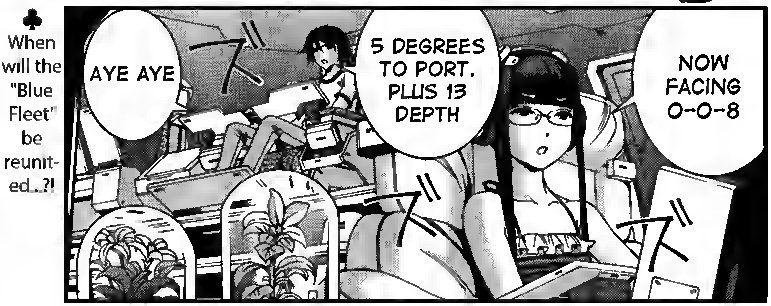
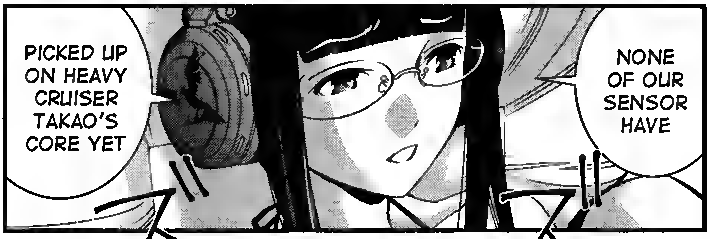
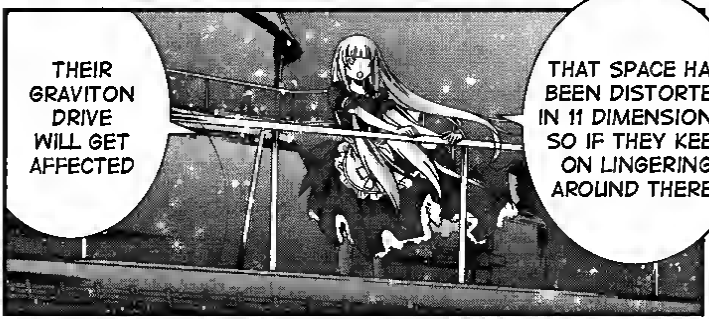




Depth:042 Ark Performance

WE HAVEN'T BEEN NOTIFIED THAT HER CORE HAS BEEN DESTROYED,
SO SHE MUST BE OUT THERE SOMEWHERE

HM
SO 401 IS STILL LOOKING FOR TAKAO'S CORE


THAT SPACE HAS BEEN DISTORTED IN 11 DIMENSIONS, SO IF THEY KEEP ON LINGERING AROUND THERE,
THEIR GRAVITON DRIVE WILL GET AFFECTED

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SINCE 2501 IS STILL SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC
HIDING INTEL AND REVEALING IT AT THE RIGHT TIME ARE THE FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION WARFARE...
BUT I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE
AND FOR THE SUPREME FLAGSHIP IF 401 GETS MOVING
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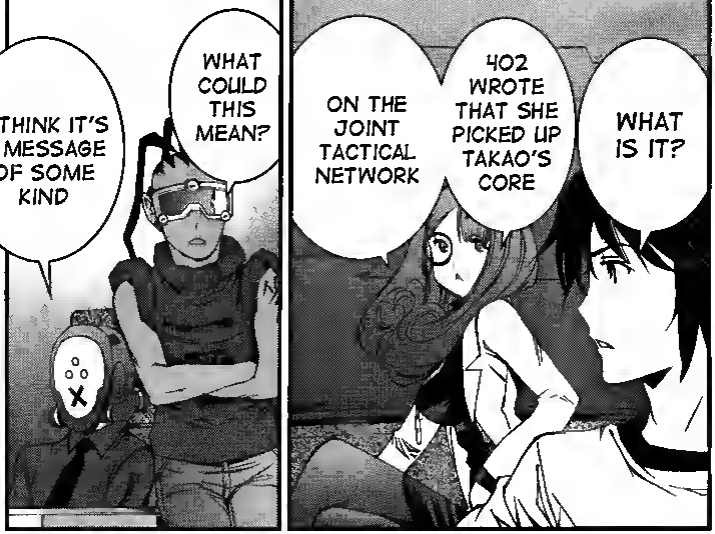
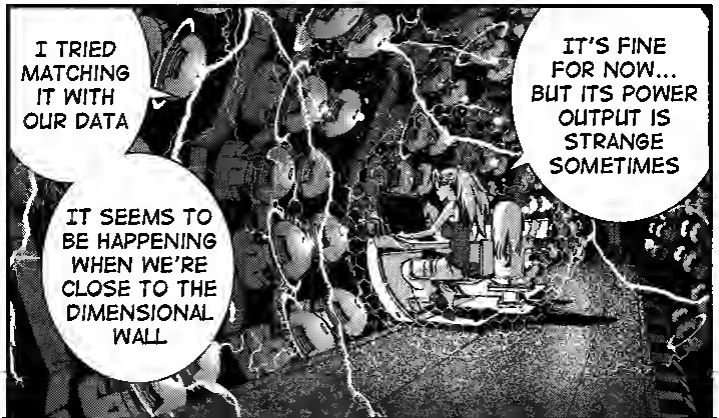
THINGS WILL BE SIMPLER FOR ME
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
click
click
OH


I THINK IT'S A MESSAGE OF SOME KIND
WHAT COULD THIS MEAN?
ON THE JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK
402 WROTE THAT SHE PICKED UP TAKAO'S CORE
WHAT IS IT?

IORI, HOW'S OUR ENGINE?


I TRIED MATCHING IT WITH OUR DATA
IT'S FINE FOR NOW... BUT ITS POWER OUTPUT IS STRANGE SOMETIMES
IT SEEMS TO BE HAPPENING WHEN WE'RE CLOSE TO THE DIMENSIONAL WALL

PLEASE SIMPLIFY IT FOR ME
NO MATTER HOW STRONG OUR GRAVITON CANNON IS, IT CAN'T RIP THROUGH DIMENSIONS
I BET THAT 2501 USED SOMETHING HERE
THE DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS ARE ALL UNSTABLE
THE "WALL" IS JUST THE SURFACE OF THAT
CERTAIN LOCATIONS ARE IN ONE DIMENSION WHILE OTHER LOCATIONS MAY BE IN SEVEN
THE GRAVITONS IN OUR GRAVITON DRIVE ARE GETTING AFFECTED

REMIND ME TO NEVER EXPLAIN THINGS TO YOU
NEVER MIND, SORRY

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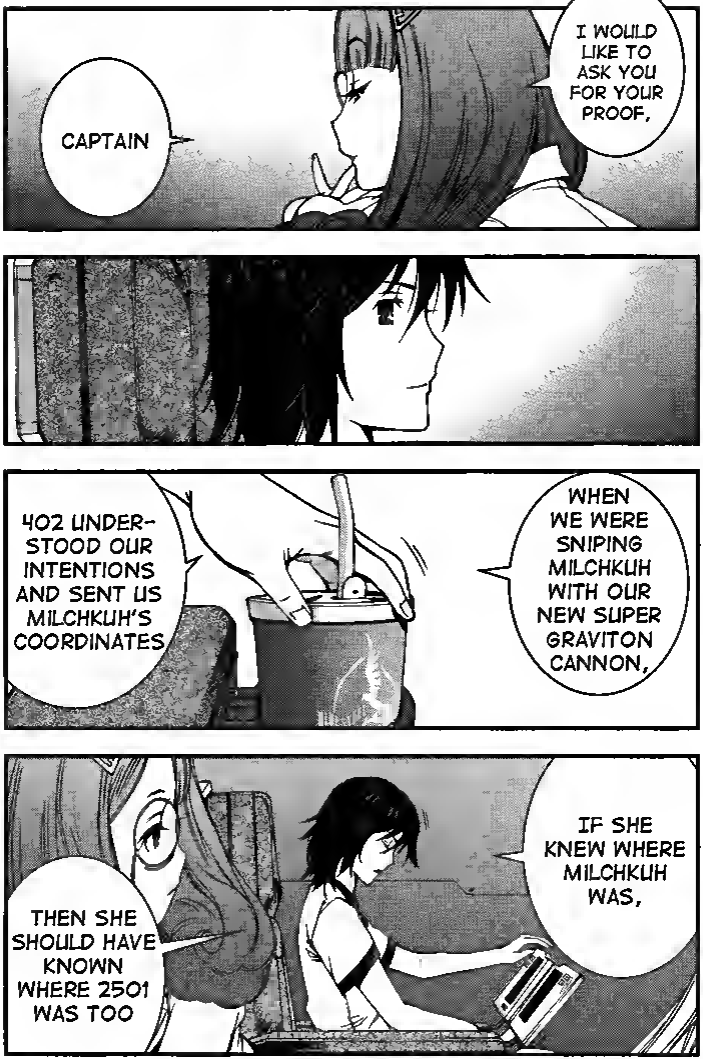
.....
LET'S END THE SEARCH FOR TAKAO
AND RENDEZVOUS WITH HAKUGEI
WE'LL RETRIEVE TAKAO AFTER WE DISCUSS THINGS OVER
UNDERSTOOD
SETTING COURSE FOR HAKUGEI
NOT AGAIN...
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS PUTTING YOUR TRUST IN 402?

TRUST ...
WELL, I GUESS I AM
PUTTING MY TRUST IN HER IN SOME SENSE
SIMPLY PUT, 402 HAS NO REASON
TO LIE TO US
?

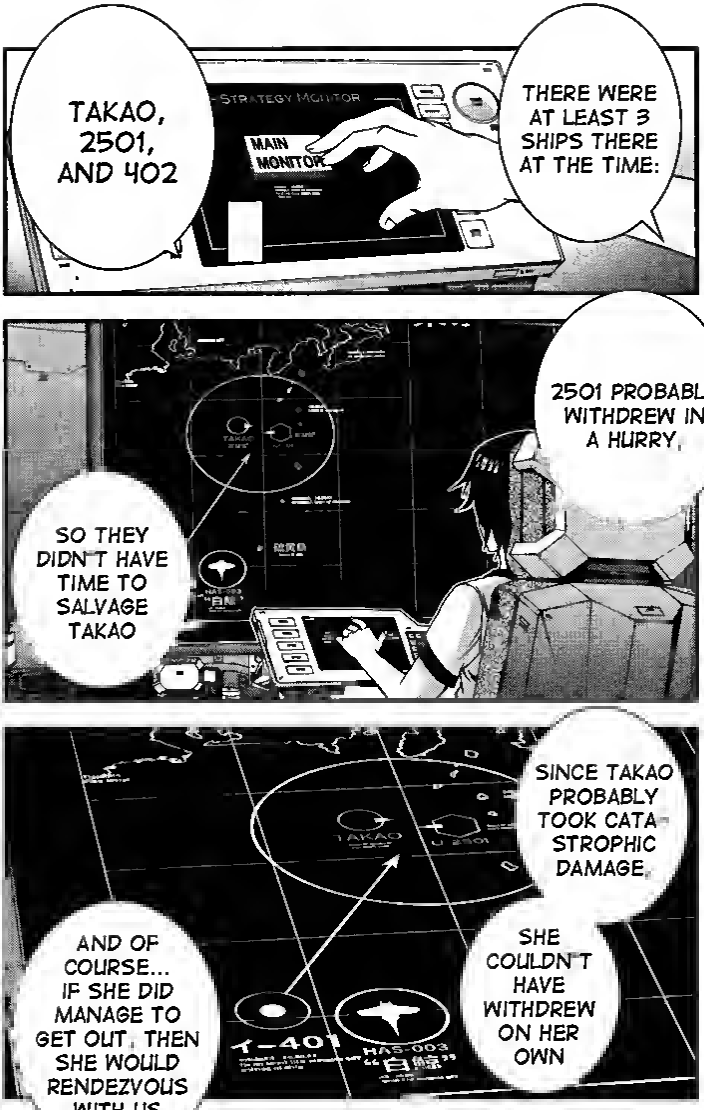
EVEN THOUGH YOU HUMANS STILL HAVE NO WAY OF BREAKING THROUGH OUR KLEIN FIELDS,
THE VIBRATION WARHEAD WOULD BE A THORN IN THE FOG'S SIDE
IF IT REACHES MASS PRODUCTION
402 IS A SHIP OF FOG
SHE HAS ALL THE REASONS IN THE WORLD TO SINK US
BUT SHE... OR HER AI
MUST BE THINKING THAT NOW ISN'T THE TIME
THAT'S TRUE


I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU FOR YOUR PROOF,
CAPTAIN
WHEN WE WERE SNIPING MILCHKUH WITH OUR NEW SUPER GRAVITON CANNON,
402 UNDER-STOOD OUR INTENTIONS AND SENT US MILCHKUH'S COORDINATES
IF SHE KNEW WHERE MILCHKUH WAS,
THEN SHE SHOULD HAVE KNOWN WHERE 2501 WAS TOO

IF SHE HAD TOLD US WHERE 2501 IS,
THEN WE MIGHT HAVE CHANGED OUR TARGET TO HER IN ORDER TO SAVE TAKAO
SHE COULD'VE GIVEN US EITHER ONE
IT DOESN'T MATTER FOR 402
.....
HOWEVER, SHE DIDN'T DARE SEND 2501'S CO-ORDINATES TO US
THIS MEANS THAT SHE THINKS THAT 2501 IS A NUISANCE,
BUT SHE DOESN'T WANT US TO SINK HER

402 USED US
BECAUSE OUR INTERESTS ALIGN, PARTIALLY OR ENTIRELY
TO BE HONEST, IF SHE GAVE US 2501'S COORDI-NATES,
THEN I WOULD'VE THOUGHT THAT IT MAY BE A TRAP
FOR SOMETHING YOU'RE PUT-TING YOUR TRUST IN,
SHE'S NOT VERY HONEST, HUH
SHE'S QUITE THE LIAR

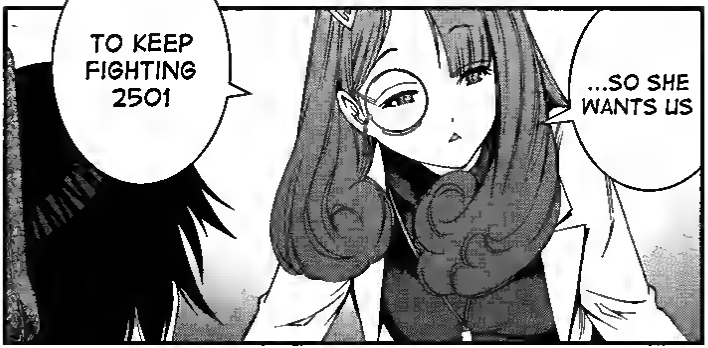
WHAT?
I THINK THAT TAKAO MAY HAVE "WITNESSED" SOMETHING
YOU THINK THAT 402 PICKED UP TAKAO'S CORE?
SO... NOW THAT YOU TRUST 402,
TO KNOW ABOUT WHATEVER THAT WAS...
402 DOESN'T WANT US
2501 USED SOMETHING HERE
HYUUGA... EARLIER, YOU SAID THAT


TAKAO, 2501, AND 402
STRATEGY MONITOR
MAIN MONITOR
THERE WERE AT LEAST 3 SHIPS THERE AT THE TIME:
2501 PROBABLY WITHDREW IN A HURRY.
SO THEY DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO SALVAGE TAKAO
TAKAO
U 2501
SINCE TAKAO PROBABLY TOOK CATA-STROPHIC DAMAGE,
SHE COULDN'T HAVE WITHDREW ON HER OWN
AND OF COURSE... IF SHE DID MANAGE TO GET OUT, THEN SHE WOULD RENDEZVOUS WITH US
I-401
HAS-003
"白鯨"

SHE WAS HERE DURING TAKAO AND 2501'S BATTLE
THE ONLY ONE LEFT IS 402...
TO LOOK FOR TAKAO BEFORE WE GOT HERE
SHE ALSO HAD PLENTY OF TIME
AN EASIER TIME AT FINDING AND SALVAGING TAKAO'S CORE THAN US
WITH HER SCANNING ABILITIES, 402 WOULD HAVE
THIS SHIP WAS LIKE 402 BEFORE WE MODIFIED HER
I KNOW ALL ABOUT THE I-400-CLASS SUBMARINES' DETECTION ABILITIES

SO 402 TOOK TAKAO'S CORE AWAY
TO HIDE INFORMATION ABOUT 2501...?
BUT
402 HELPED US IN SINKING MILCHKUH
SHE PRACTICALLY DECLARED WAR IN 2501
WHAT DOES SHE HAVE TO GAIN NOW?

402 TOLD US THAT SHE PICKED UP TAKAO'S CORE
THROUGH THE JOINT TACTICAL NETWORK
SO?
THESE WATERS ARE QUITE DANGEROUS
NO MATTER HOW SMALL THE CHANCES ARE, SHE DOESN'T WANT US TO DIE NOW
"STOP WASTING YOUR TIME AND GET OUT"
THAT'S THE MESSAGE BEHIND HER WORDS


TO KEEP FIGHTING 2501
...SO SHE WANTS US

EXACTLY
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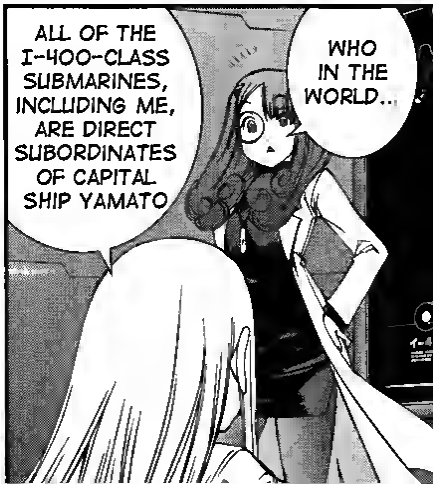
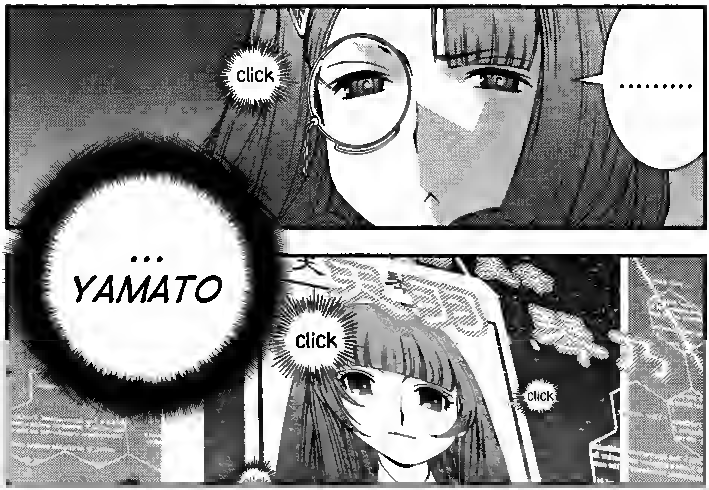
I'M NOT ONE ANYMORE
WELL, I GUESS


ALL OF THE I-400-CLASS SUBMARINES, INCLUDING ME, ARE DIRECT SUBORDINATES OF CAPITAL SHIP YAMATO
WHO IN THE WORLD...


click
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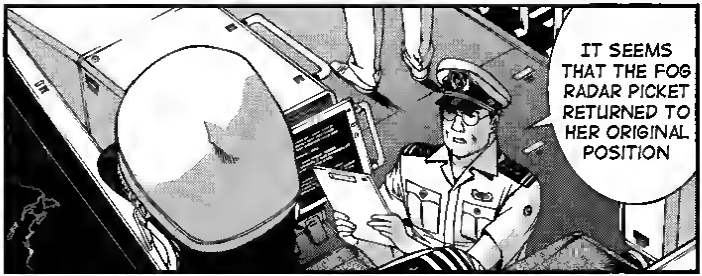
YAMATO
click
click

THIS MEANS THAT SOMEONE AMONG THE FOG HAS STARTED USING POLITICS
OTHER THAN DAD...

CAPTAIN KOMAKI


IT SEEMS THAT THE FOG RADAR PICKET RETURNED TO HER ORIGINAL POSITION

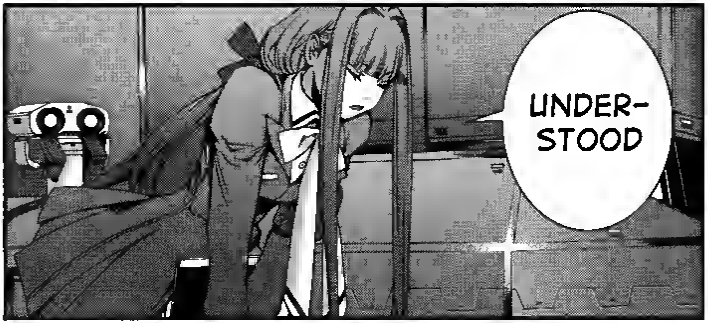
THEIR MISSION, HUH
SO THEY'VE COM-PLETED

THAT'S THE LOGICAL CONCLU-SION
YES...

"IT WAS A VALUABLE LESSON"...
IS WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE A POOR EXCUSE

NAY,
KONGOU
STUPID COUNCIL MEMBERS
WHAT DO YOU THINK, HIEI?

RESTORE THE BLOCKADE AROUND JAPAN
UNDER-STOOD
RESUMING REGULAR PATROL
LET'S DIVIDE THIS FLEET IN TWO
NO MORE CUTE TRICKS
I'LL SINK 401


UNDER-
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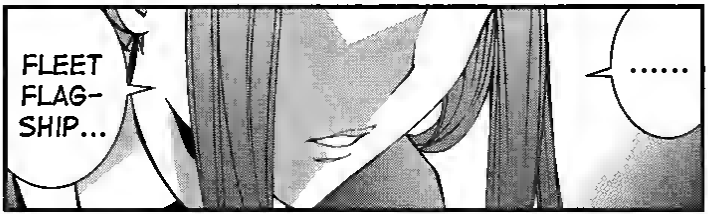
FLEET
FLAG-
SHIP...
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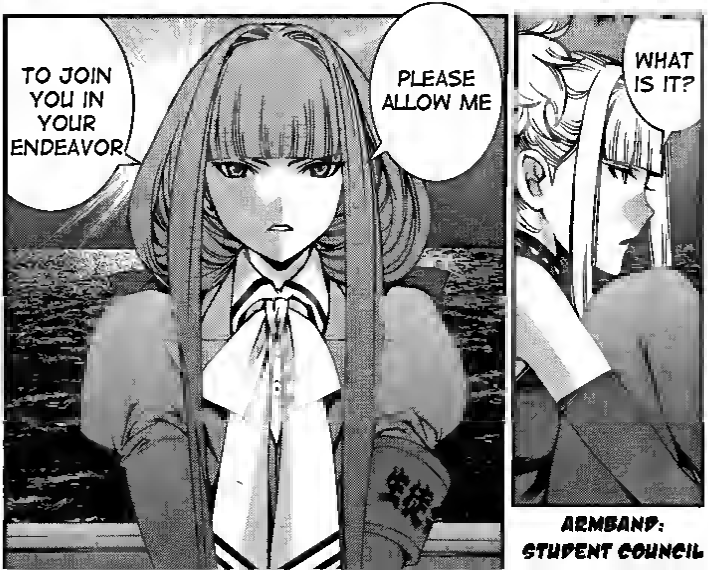
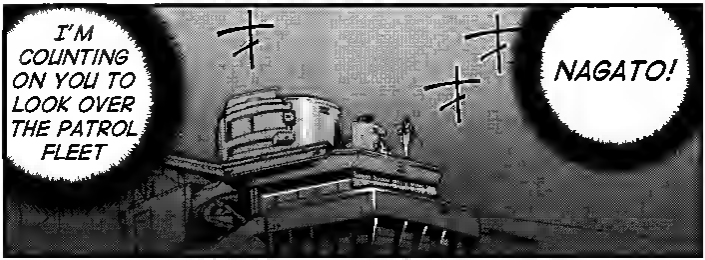
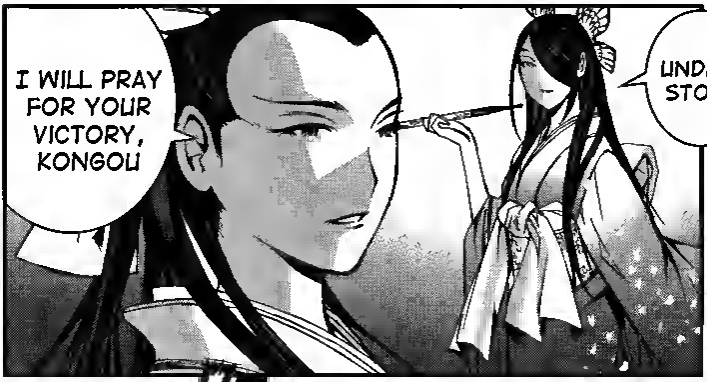

TO JOIN
YOU IN
YOUR
ENDEAVOR
PLEASE
ALLOW ME
WHAT
IS IT?
ARMBAND:
STUDENT COUNCIL

...THEN WHO WILL LEAD THE PATROL FLEET?
ISE WILL
SUIT YOUR-- SELF
AYE AYE


I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO LOOK OVER THE PATROL FLEET
NAGATO!


I WILL PRAY FOR YOUR VICTORY, KONGOU
UNDER-STOOD

LISTEN UP, FLEET! SET COURSE TO 0-4-7 AT TOP PATROL SPEED!
WE'LL FORM THE 401 ASSAULT FLEET AND HEAD NORTH!

SETTING COURSE TO 0-4-7
UNDER-STOOD
SETTING SPEED...

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A FOG WARSHIP IS DOCKING IN A HUMAN PORT...
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IT WAS WORTH COMING DOWN FROM SAPPORO
JUST TO SEE THIS SIGHT
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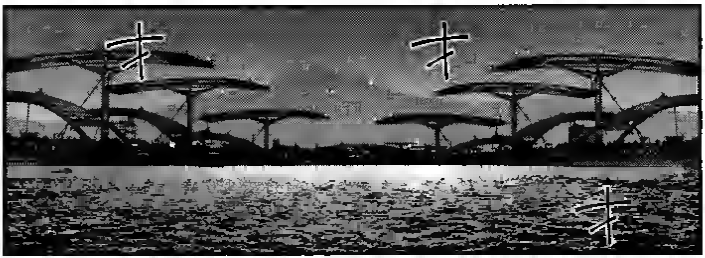
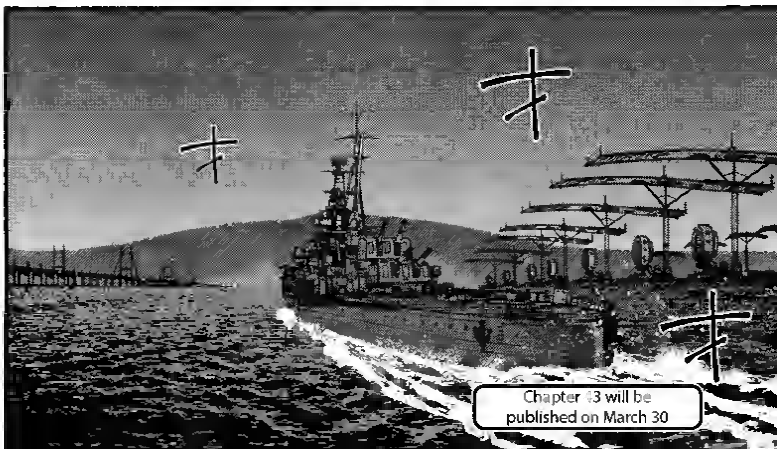
♣ Fog and humans will come in contact in the Northern lands...!!





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ピアニカもらいに来たぁー

うー

えっ

マヤはいつも元気ねぇ

ええへへ～

ピアニカはないよ。先月のはアンケートを採っただけ

ええーっ！何でよ、ピアニカにしようよ、ピアニカ楽しいよぉ？ピアニカってねぇ、メーカーの商標なんだよぉ。知ってたぁ？

ええっ？それなら、迂闊に名前を口にして良いのか？それ

じゃあ、鍵盤ハーモニカって言おうかぁ

お前さぁ

んっ

もしかしてピアノ作り間違えたもんで、一生懸命、鍵盤楽器について勉強した？

ギクッッー

で、その成果を発表したくて、あえてピアニカとか言い出したっ

ギククッー

え、じゃあ、天然っぽく装いながら、この展開を仕組んだってこと

ギクククッー

マヤー、恐ろしい子ー

違うよ、違うよ。そんなことないよ。マヤは教えてもらったんだよ

入れ知恵か

人聞き悪いなぁ

で、誰に教えてもらったの？

それはねぇ…えへへ、言えないんだぁ。秘密なんだぁ～♪

お前に、今後一切、正常なピアノを形成できない呪いをかけた

ギャーッー

あんた、そんなことできんの？

いや、全然

止めてよ、止めてよぉ。泣くじょー良いのかー、マジ泣きするじょー

もう泣いてるし

泣くなよ

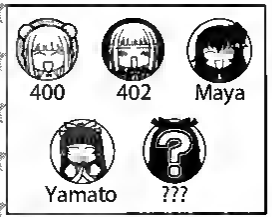
マヤを泣かせているのは誰なの!?

コトノ～402がいぢめる～(ノД)

私が来たからにはもう大丈夫よ

鍵の女

身元バラされてるぞ、鍵の女



Maya: I'm here for my pianica!
402: Huh?
400: .....
Yamato: You're always so energetic, Maya.
Maya: Ehehe~
402: We don't have a pianica. We were just taking a survey last month.
Maya: Huh?! Just give me pianica. They're so fun! Did you know that some company trademarked the name "pianica"?
402: Huh? Then should we really be talking about it on here?
Maya: Then let's use the term "melodica."
402: Wait a minute.
Maya: Huh?
402: Could it be that you studied all about keyboard instruments after you messed up on making your piano?
Maya: Gah!
402: Now you're talking about the pianica just to show off how much you've learned, huh.
Maya: Gahh!
400: So you were just acting like an airhead?!
Maya: Gahhh!
Yamato: You're so scary, Maya!
Maya: No, no. That's not true. Someone just taught me.
402: That's what you want us to think, huh...
Maya: Don't be so mean~
402: So who taught you?
Maya: Umm...Ehehe, I can't tell you. It's a secret~♪
402: I just put a curse on you so you will never be able to make a regular piano.
Maya: Gyah!
400: Can you really do that?
402: Nope, not at all. .
400: .....
Maya: Stop it or I'll *kwai*! Do you really want me to *kwai*?!
400: You're already crying.
402: Don't cry...
???: Who's making Maya cry?!
Maya: Kotono~ 402 is bullying me~ (ノД`)
???: I'm here, so everything's fine now.
Maya: Kotono~ (ノД`)
402: Who's that?
400: She just said her name...

CAUTION!! CAUTION!! CAUTION!! CAU

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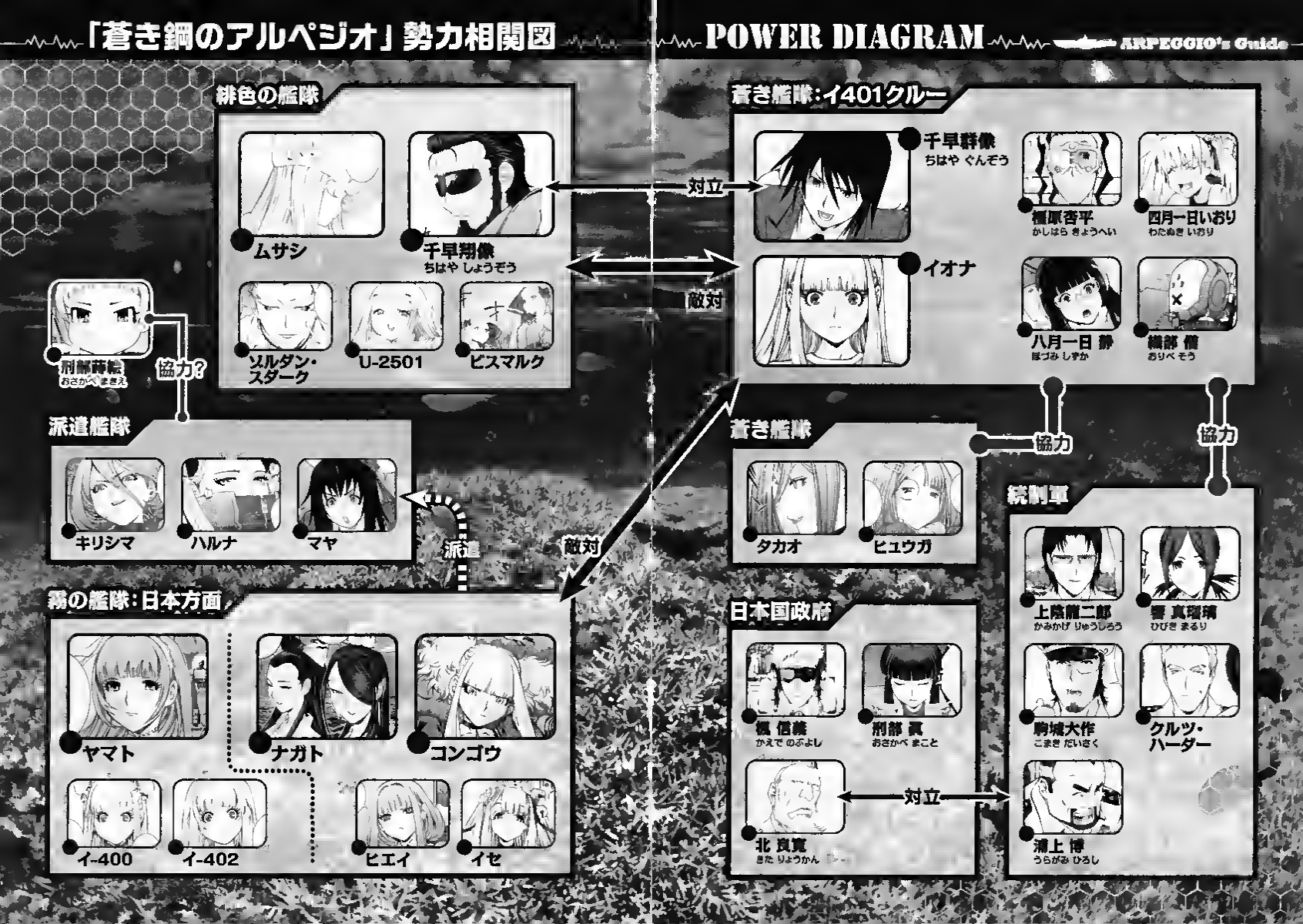

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